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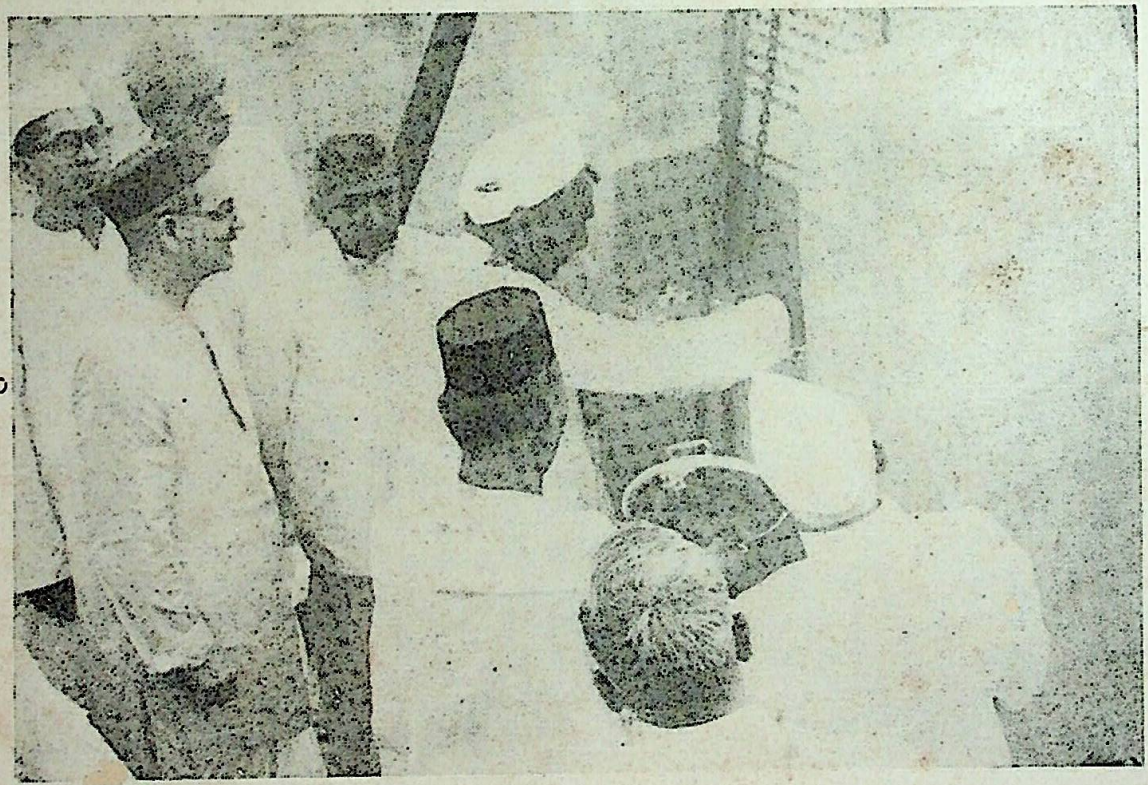

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FOREWORD

The idea of establishing an Institue for Post-Graduate Studies and Research in Prakrit & Jainology originated in the Vaishali Sangha which passed a resolution on that subject in 1952. It was followed by the publication of a scheme on the subject which received the approval of the President of the Sangha and the then Chief Minister of Bihar Dr. Shri Krishna Sinha in the same year. But the first practical step to translate the scheme into action was taken by the Bihar Government in the form of their resolution (G. O. No. 5314 dated 25-11-1955) followed by the appointment of Dr. H. L. Jain as the Director of the Institute. Matters then progressed quickly and during the next four months the Bihar University was moved to take the necessary steps for initiating an M. A. Course in the subject of Prakrit & Jainology. A suitable site was also selected at Vaishali for the establishment of the Institute and about fifteen acres of land were obtained by way of voluntary donatinns. The foundation stone of the Institute was laid by the President of the Union Dr. Rajendra Prasad on 23rd Ayril, 1956, On the same day he also performed the ceremony of unveiling the Mahavira memorial built by the Bihar Government on the site which is believed to be the birth place of Lord Mahavira,

The Institute started on its career of teaching and Research at Muzaffarpur from July 1956, in a rented building, pending construction of the nece-

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ssary buildings at Vaishali for which Shri Shanti Prasad Jain, the leading industrialist of Bihar had made a donation of Rs. 5, 00,000/- (Rs. Five lacs). The building operations have now just begun and it is hoped that at least the main building of the Institute would be ready by the next year.

Three batches of M. A. students have since passed out of the portals of the Institute. Four batches of Oriental scholars have also taken their examinotion in B. A. Special English which made them eligible for the M. A. course of the Institute. Ten Research Scholars have been working for the Ph. D, Degree of the Bihar University and one of them has completed his thesis & submitted the same for examination. Four other scholars have almost completed their theses and the rest are in the course of preparation.

The Director and the Professor of the institute have also turned out substantial Research work in their own spheres.

The General Council and the Executive Committee of the Institute have also been formed in accordance with the Constitution which was adopted in 1956 and two meetings of the Executive Committee and one of the General Council have so far been held.

This is how the Institute stands at present. It has so far worked under very seriously limitations. The building in which it has been functioning is quite inadequate for its essential requirements. The library which is the sine qua non of a Research Institute is yet very poor, not properly

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arranged ou account of want of space and utterly lacking in the collection of Mss. which are essential for developing its research activities. Besides the Director, only two other posts of teachers in Prakrit & Jainology were sanctioned but only one appointment has been made so far and the other post has remained vacant all along. This inadequacy of the teaching staff made it impossible to teach more than one group out of the four groups prescribed in M. A. in the subject. Institutional Research work which is indicated in the Constitution itself could not be undertaken for want of a Research Assistant. The number of Research and M. A. scholarships is also very inadequate and so also the amount of the M. A. scholarship. It is, however, expected that these difficiencies will be removed during the Third Five Year Plan, on the verge of which we now stand.

Originally the Institute was established on a temporary basis for a period of five years only. But it is a matter of gratification to all concerned that being satisfied with the progress of the Institute, the Bihar Government have now extended the term of the Institute on a permanent basis. Let us hope that the Institute would be now sufficiently strengthened to reach its destination and to play the role which has been assigned to it by the Constitution. For this purpose the Co-operation of all concerned is earnestly invited.

H. L. Jain,
Director,

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स्नातकोत्तर प्राकृत जैन शोध विद्यापीठ की स्थापना का विचार सर्वप्रथम वैशाली-संघ ने किया था। सन् १९५२ में एतद्विषयक एक प्रस्ताव पास करके उसने एक योजना प्रकाशित की जिसे संघ के सभापति एवं बिहार राज्य के तत्कालीन मुख्य मंत्री माननीय श्री श्रीकृष्ण सिन्हा ने तत्काल ही स्वीकृत कर दिया। राज्य-सरकार ने उस योजना की रचनात्मक कार्यवाही एक प्रस्ताव (राजकीय पत्र सं० ५३१४ दिनाङ्क २५-११-५५) के रुप में प्रारम्भ की जिसके अनुसार डा० हीरालाल जैन की नियुक्ति उक्त विद्यापीठ के निदेशक के रूप में हुई।

तत्पश्चात् कार्य की गति जोरों से बढ़ी तथा अगले चार महीनों के भीतर ही बिहार विश्वविद्यालय से M. A. की कक्षा के लिये प्राकृत एवं जैन-साहित्य विषयक पाठ्यक्रम की स्वीकृति प्राप्त कर ली। उसी समय वैशाली में विद्यापीठ की स्थापना–हेतु एक उपयुक्त स्थान का चुनाव भी कर लिया गया। इस कार्य के निमित्त १५ एकड़ भूमि स्थानीय जनता की ओर से तत्काल ही दान स्वरूप प्राप्त हो गई। तदनन्तर विद्यापीठ का शिलान्यास २३ अप्रैल १९५६ को भारत-गणतंत्र के राष्ट्रपति डा० राजेन्द्र प्रसाद के कर कमलों द्वारा सम्पन्न हुआ। उसी दिन बिहार-सरकार द्वारा निर्मित महावीर स्मारक का, जो कि प्रचलित लोक-परम्परा के अनुसार भगवान महावीर का जन्म स्थान माना जाता रहा, अनावरण भी राष्ट्रपति महोदय ने किया।

विद्यापीठ ने जुलाई १९५६ से शिक्षण एवं शोध का कार्यारम्भ मुजफ्फरपुर स्थित एक किराये के भवन में किया। वैशाली में आवश्यक भवन निर्माण के लिये बिहार-राज्य के प्रमुख उद्योगपति श्री शान्ति प्रसाद जैन ने पाँच लाख रुपयों के दान की घोषणा की। यह कार्य

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भी अभी हाल में ही प्रारम्भ किया जा चुका है तथा आशा की जाती है कि प्रमुख भवन का निर्माण आगामी वर्ष तक हो जायगा।

अभी तक विद्यापीठ से M. A. कक्षा के तीन समुदाय उत्तीर्ण होकर निकल चुके हैं। उसी प्रकार संस्कृत के शास्त्री एवं आचार्य परीक्षोत्तीर्ण स्नातकों के चार समुदाय भी B. A. (विशिष्ट अंग्रेजी) की परीक्षा में उत्तीर्ण होकर विद्यापीठ की M. A. कक्षा में प्रविष्ट होने के योग्य हुए। दस शोध-स्नातक पी–एच० डी० की उपाधि के लिये शोध कार्य में संलग्न हैं। उनमें से एक ने अपना कार्य समाप्त कर अपना प्रबन्ध परीक्षण-हेतु प्रस्तुत कर दिया है। अन्य चार स्नातकों का कार्य भी समाप्त प्राय है। शेष स्नातक अपने-अपने शोध कार्यों में संलग्न हैं।

विद्यापीठ के निदेशक एवं प्राध्यापक ने भी अपने-अपने विषयों में ठोस अनुसन्धान कार्य किये हैं।

सन् १९५६ में निर्मित संविधान के अनुसार विद्यापीठ की सामान्य-परिषद् एवं कार्यकारणी समिति का संगठन भी हो गया तथा अभीतक कार्यकारणी-समिति की दो एवं सामान्य परिषद् की एक बैठकें भी हो चुकी हैं।

वर्त्तमानकाल तक यह संस्था किस प्रकार कार्य करती रही, यह उक्त कथन से स्पष्ट हो जाता है। इसने वस्तुतः अनेकों कठिनाईयों एवं असुविधाओं के बीच ही उक्त कार्य किया है। इस समय जिस भवन में यह विद्यापीठ कार्य कर रही है, वह एक शोध-संस्थान के लिये बिल्कुल ही अपर्याप्त है। ग्रन्थालय, जो कि विद्यापीठ का मेरुदंड है, वह अभीतक साहित्य-संकलन की दृष्टि से पर्याप्त रूप में समृद्ध नहीं हो सका है। स्थानाभाव के कारण ग्रन्थों की व्यवस्था भी समुचित रूप से नहीं हो सकी। प्राचीन हस्तलिखित ग्रन्थ, जो कि अनुसन्धान कार्य

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के विस्तार के लिये आवश्यक हैं, उनका सर्वथा अभाव तो और भी खटकने वाला है। निदेशक के अतिरिक्त केवल दो प्राध्यापकों के पद स्वीकृत किये गये थे, जिनमें से केवल एक की नियुक्ति अभी तक हो सकी है। और दूसरा स्थान सदा से रिक्त ही पड़ा है। प्राध्यापक वर्ग की इस कमी के कारण प्राकृत की M. A. कक्षा में स्वीकृत विभिन्न विषयक चार वर्गों में से एक को छोड़कर बाकी के वर्गों का अध्यापन असम्भव ही रहा है। विद्यापीठ सम्बन्धी शोध-कार्य, जो कि संविधान में उल्लिखित है, वह भी शोध-सहायक के अभाव में प्रारम्भ न किया जा सका। शोध-कक्षा एवं M. A. कक्षा की छात्रवृत्तियों की संख्या भी बहुत कम है। उसी प्रकार M. A. कक्षा की छात्रवृत्ति की रकम भी कम है। अब यह आशा की जाती है कि तृतीय पंचवर्षीय योजना में जो कि अब प्रारम्भ ही होने वाली है, उक्त कठिनाईयाँ दूर कर दी जावेंगी।

प्रारम्भ में इस विद्यापीठ की स्थापना अस्थायी रूप से केवल पाँच वर्षों के लिये की गई थी। लेकिन इस संस्था से सम्बन्धित सभी जनों के लिये यह परम संतोष की बात है कि बिहार-सरकार ने उसकी प्रगति से संतुष्ट होकर अब इसे स्थायी रूप प्रदान कर दिया है। इस-लिये हम यह आशा करते हैं कि यह विद्यापीठ पर्याप्त साधन सम्पन्न होकर संविधान में उल्लिखत अपने उद्देश्यों की पूर्त्ति कर सकेगा। इन उद्देश्यों की पूर्त्तिहेतु-सभी सहृदय सज्जनों का सहयोग सादर आमन्त्रित है।

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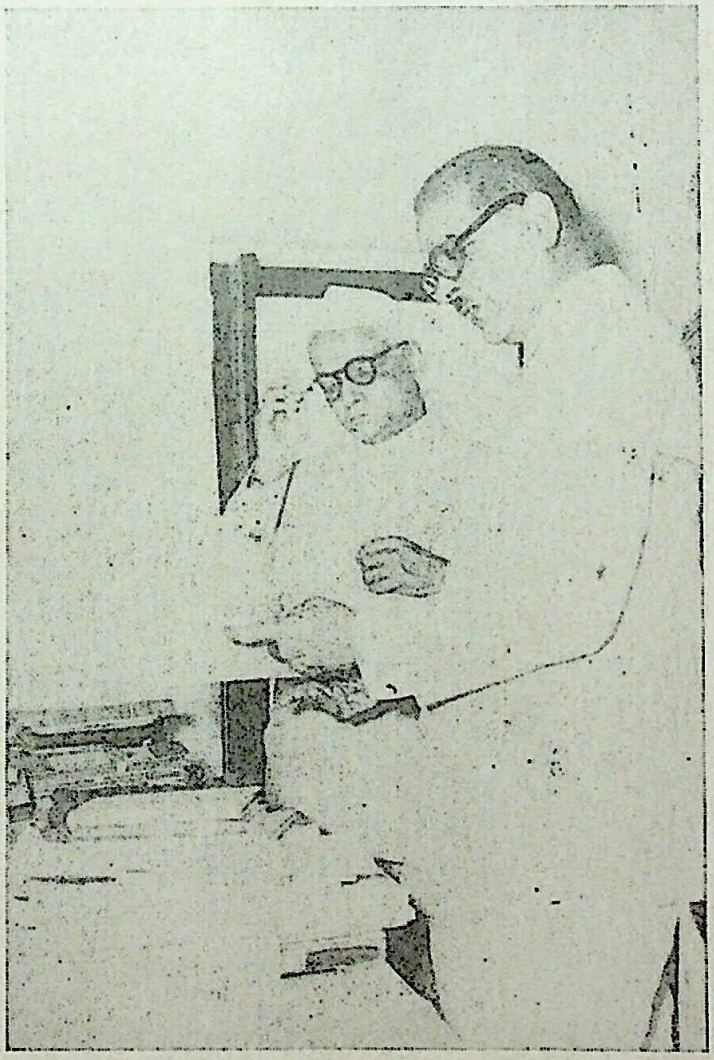

बिहार के राज्यपाल श्री रं० रा० दिवाकर, निदेशक डा० हीरालाल जैन के साथ प्रा० जै० अ० शोधसंस्थान के शोधकक्ष में। (१९५७)

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THE INSTITUTE AND THE VAISHALI SANGH

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The seeds of the Vaishali Institute of Prakrit & Jain Learning lay in the spirit and enthusiasm behind the Vaishali Festival and the Vaishali Sangh.

In March 1945 was held near the ruins of ancient Vaishali, a popular festival attended by thousands of people, largely villagers but with a sprinkle of scholars. The festival arose out of a desire to commemorate the glories of a lost culture and of the unique ancient Republic which was hallowed by the names of Lord Mahavira and Lord Buddha. The festival became an annual feature and an institution named Vaishali Sangh was formed with the object of stimulating interest in Vaishali and organising its development in various directions. The Vaishali Sangh was founded on March 31,1945.

BACKGROUND :

Though the Vaishali festival has been a folk festival of the rural people, it has always been addressed by at least one eminent scholar of ancient Indian history and culture. There are two significant items in the list of the objects of the Vaishali Sangh as included in its constitution, adopted in 1945:

> *"to undertake, promote, encourage and foster research and investigation on the history and culture of Vaishali and other ancient places of Bihar; to arrange papers, lectures, conferences and discussions on the history and culture of Vaishali and other ancient places."*

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One of the earliest steps taken in pursuance of this objective was to publish an authoritative volume entitled "Homage to Vaishali" which contained a large number of articles and contributions on its history and heritage. At the same time, attempts were made to focus the attention of Jain community towards Vaishali as the birth place of Lord Mahavira. A small pamphlet was brought out in November 1947 and other literature was also distributed. On April 21, 1948, a number of Jains from different parts of India gathered at Vaishali for the first time and celebrated the birth-day of Lord Mahavira. They have continued to do so uninterrupted since then year to year. One of the Jain statues found in Vaishali belonging to the pala period, was also installed in a small shrine, by the Jains.

Another preliminary step which deserves mention is the resumption of archaeological excavations for which the Vaishali Sangh collected a sum of Rs. 7,000 in 1949. The excavations were conducted in 1950 and thereafter have been continued by the K. P. Jayaswal Research Institute. The idea of an educational centre existed in the objectives of the Vaishali Sangh, which included the establishment at Vaishali of a school. Accordingly, the Mahavira Teerthamkara High School was started and it has had the support of the local villagers as well of the Government and the Jain community.

THE FIRST PROPOSALS.

This then was the background in which the idea of a research institute for Vaishali was first

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mooted in 1952 at the 8th Vaishali festival held on April 7, 1952. One of the resolutions passed at the festival recommended to the Jain community and the Bihar Government to start the Vaishali Prakrit Jain Institute at Vaishali and set up a sub-committee consisting of Dr. Altekar, Shri J. C. Mathur, Prof. Yogendra Mishra, Dr. Nathmal Tatiya, Shri Lalanji Jain, Shri Nemi Chandra Shastri, & Prof. Dalsukh Malvaniya. The then Education Minister of Bihar Government, Shri Badri Nath Verma, specially supported this idea at the festival at which the chief guest was Shri K. M. Munshi.

In June 1952, I drafted the first scheme for donations for the proposed institute. The proposal then was that a sum of Rs. 5 lakhs may be raised for capital expenditure and another Rs. 5 lakhs for recurring expenditure for a period of five years after which it was hoped that the Bihar Government would take over the Institute. The scheme was exhaustive and detailed and was printed in an artistic folder along with appeals from Dr. Srikrishna Sinha, the then Chief Minister of Bihar, who was the President of the Vaishali Sangh, and Shri R. R. Diwakar, the then Governor of Bihar. The appeal was, however, not issued immediately. A meeting of the General Council of the Vaishali Sangh was held at the house of Dr. Srikrishna Sinha in Patna on 4th February 1953. On the same day, these appeals and the scheme were published in the newspapers all over the country. At the meeting this scheme was considered and a major change in the original proposal was made. It was decided that instead of the Sangh itself establishing the

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institute, the Sangh should make over to the Bihar Government whatever funds or promises of funds it is able to obtain and request the Bihar Government to start the institute. This resolution was passed because it was thought that the donors would thus feel more assured of the continuance of the institute. At the same meeting, it was decided that a committee should visit a few centres of the Jains along with the appeals of the Governor and the Chief Minister and try to collect funds.

Immediately after the meeting on the 6th Feb., 1953, the Sangh addressed a formal letter to the Government of Bihar. It is this letter which formed the basis of the subsequent action by the Govt; in it the background of the project was given. The letter offered to make over to the Govt. of Bihar whatever funds and offers it had obtained and said that the Sangh had "received assurances from the Jain Sangh, Calcutta, Shri Shanti Prassad Jain of Calcutta, All India Terapanthi Jain Association, Calcutta, and others, that if an Institute of this kind is started, they would be willing to make handsome donations." Though the scheme had provided for a sum of Rs. 10 lakhs. the letter said that a beginning could be made even if a sum of Rs. 5 lakhs were made available to the Government. It requested the Government for its agreement and approval of the proposal so that the funds could be collected.

ACCEPTANCE BY GOVERNMENT

While the Government considered these proposals, the Vaishali Sangh received several offers from

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the Jain community in Calcutta. At the 9th Vaishali festival held in 1953, the datailed scheme of the institute was further pursued. Soon after that, the Government of Bihar considered the letter of the Vaishali Sangh and finally communicated to the Vaishali Sangh its approval of the proposal. The letter of the Government of Bihar, No. 12717-E, dated 18th May, 1953, is quoted below:

"I am directed to refer to your letter No. 1144 dated the 6th February, 1953, on the subject noted above, and to say that the State Government has been pleased to approve of the proposal for the establishment of the Vaishali Institute of Post Graduate Studies and Research in Prakrit, Jainology and Ahimsa subject to the followlng conditions:–

(a) The Institute shall be named as the Vaishali Institute of Post Graduate Studies and Research in Prakrit, Jainology and Ahimsa and will provide for the study of and research in Ahimsa as such apart from Jainology and Prakrit

(b) Government shall establish and maintain this Institute out of the funds collected and donated for the purpose, for the present.

(c) The Institute shall be started in the first instance for a period of 2 years as soon, after a sum of Rs. 5 lakhs and library are available, as practicable.

2. Though the Institute would be started by the Government soon after a sum of Rs. 5 lakhs and library are available, Government

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hope that the Vaishali Sangh and the members of the Jain community will endeavour to collect donations amounting to a total of Rs. 20 lakhs within the next 2 years. I am, however, to make it clear that for the present the State Government would not be in a position to make any contribution from its own fund though assistance in future is not ruled out."

This then is the first important communication from the Government and marks the starting point of the governmental activity for the institute.

The next important step was a meeting of a few prominent members of the Jain community in Bihar, which was held on 27th July 1953 in the Raj Bhavan at Ranchi under the chairmanship of Shri R. R. Diwakar. This meeting was also sponsored by the Vaishali Sangh and was attended by the then Chief Minister and the then Education Minister. Shri Diwakar proposed at this meeting that the Institute should also conduct researches and studies in Ahimsa and set up a small committee of Jains of Bihar for the collection of fund. At this stage, Shri Jagannath Prasad Sah, Secretary in-charge Vaishali Sangh and some other persons went round on tour to different places in India for stimulating interest in the scheme and for the collection of funds.

All these efforts and the sustained drive yielded results and led to a concrete offer being made by Shri Shanti Prasad Jain in 1954--55. From year to year the Vaishali Sangh at its annual meeting

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and the festival pursued this idea until their scheme was finally approved and sanctioned by the Government of Bihar in 1955.

IDEAS ABOUT SCOPE & CHARACTER OF THE INSTITUTE

It is interesting to recall briefly the ideas about the scope and character of the institute. Back in 1945, the Sangh had thought of having an educational centre with a bias towards basic education. When in 1952 the Sangh formulated its scheme for the research centre, it also stated that the institute should be located in Vaishali which is now a village, not only because it is the birth-place of Lord Mahavira but also because the institute should become a link between highest scholarship on the one hand and life as lived by the common people in the remote villages in India on the other. It referred to the recommendations of the Radhakrishnan Commission for the experiment of rural universities and expressed the wish that the Prakrit Institute might become the nucleus of a rural university, apart from being a really worthy centre of advanced scholarship and research in Prakrit and Jain learning. Later in 1953, another interesting idea was added to this concept when Shri R. R. Diwakar, the then Governor of Bihar suggested that apart from being a centre of scholarship in Prakrit studies, the institute should also provide for special research, particularly of the comparative type, in the philosophy of Ahimsa and its practice. It was at his initiative that research in the technique of Ahmisa was included among the objects of this Institution. It is useful to

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recall these ideas because even though it may not be possible to implement them immediately, the Institute can emerge as a unique centre in due course of time, by continuing to explore these directions.

It has been an uphill task to promote this idea and the Vaishali Sangh naturally feels proud that thanks to the generous response of the Govt. of Bihar and of the Jain community, the enthusiasm and the sustained efforts of the Sangh have yielded results and the Institute has become a reality.

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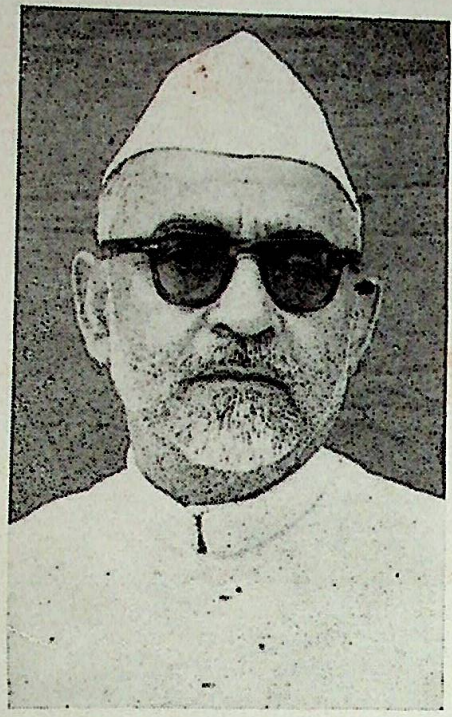

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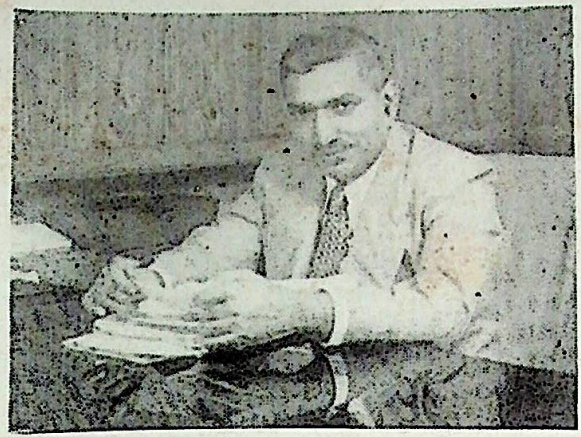

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1

Establishment of the Institute of Post-Graduate Studies and Research in Jain and Prakrit Learning at Vaishali in the district of Muzaffarpur.

(Letter no. 5314 dated the 25th November, 1955, from the Addl. Under Secretary to Government to the Accountant General, Bihar, through the Finance Department.)

I am directed to convey the sanction of the State Government to the establishment of the Institute of Post-Graduate Studies and Research in Jain and Prakrit Learnying at Vaishali in the district of Muzaffarpur on a temporary basis for a period of 5 years in the first instance and to the creation of temporary posts, at an estimated cost of Rs. 51,400/-(Rupees fiftyone thousand and four hundred) only recurring and Rs. 5,00,000/-(Rupees five lacs) non-recurring as detailed in the enclosed statement I and II.

2. The State Government have been pleased to accept from Sri Shanti Prasad Jain, a leading industrialist of Bihar and prominent member of the Jain Community, the following generous offers towards meeting the cost of the Institute :—

(a) 25,000/-per annum for a period of 5 years on recurring basis towards meeting the cost of recurring expenditure on the Institute;

(b) A lump sum amount of Rs. 5,00,000/- to meet the entire non-recurring cost on the Institute comprising of construction of building, etc., as detailed in Statement II.

3 (a) The Institute will be exclusively meant for research and PostGraduate Studies in Jain Philosophy, Prakrit language and literature and the Philosophy and technique of Ahimsa. It will revive scientific study of Prakrit

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language and bring to light the rich literature written in Prakrit, aim at a comparative study of non-violence as an experiment in different societies all over the world, in different ages. The Institute will bring out important publications from time to time on Jain Philosophy and literature and provide opportunities to eminent scholars to come together and exchange ideas.

(b) It will have a rich library of both manuscripts and printed books.

(c) It will be entirely residential in character, but at the same time, invite scholars from outside to associate with them in the promotion of Jain and Prakrit learning.

(d) The Institue will admit students for higher studies and prepare them for M. A. and Doctorate Degrees of the University of Bihar.

Being located at Vaishali. the Institute will be an attraction for scholars and other distinguished visitors of the Jain Comunity from all over the country. To provide for the entertainment of such visitors, Government have provided a sum of Rs. 600/-per annum.

(5) Provision has been made for grant of scholarships and stipends. There will be at least 5 fellowships of the annual value of Rs. 1200/-each.

(6) At least 30 acres of land will be required for the Institute ultimately, though the building can be constructed on a smaller plot. For the present, a building having provision for liabrary, dormitory, office and guest rooms on the pattern of the first Vihara of the Nalanda Institute, will be constructed, External decoration of the building will be necessarily conforming to the Jain style of architecture. It may cost a sum of Rs. 2.95 lakhs. In addition, a sum of Rs. 25, 000/-will be required for the quarters of the staff. Further amount will be provided for the purpose subsequently. Shri Shanti Prasad Jain has expressed his desire to construct the building through his own agency. If he undertakes to do the work. after the plans

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and estimates are prepared by the P. W. D. the work will be executed through his agency under the supervision of the P. W. D. authorities. Failing that, the usual procedure of construction of buildings by the P. W. D. will be followed

7. Till buildings are constructed at Vaishali, the Institute will start functioning in the building of the L. S. College, Muzaffarpur. Some houses may also have to be rented for the staff.

8. A small committee will be appointed at an early date with the approval of Government to work out the details of the courses, departments and the administrative set of the Institute and the other details.

9. The Institute will have a publication department and will be required to bring out research work from time to time.

10. The donation from Shri Shanti Prasad Jain will be credited to the Head "Contribution for the establishment of the Vaishali Institute under "XXVI-Education-E-General-Contribution".

The cost is provisionally debitable to the head contribution from private sources"37-Education-E-General-Development Scheme Five Year Plan (138)-Improvement of Oriental Education-Establishment of the Institute of Post-Graduate Studies and Research in Jain and Prakrit Learning at Vaishali." The cost relating to the construction of buildleings will be debited to the head "50-Civil works-Oriental works-Major works-Five Year plan-Construction of building for the Institute of Post Graduate Studies and Research in Jain and Prakrit Learning Vaishali." in case the building is executed through the agency of the P.W.D. Necessary funds will be provided by means of a schedule to be included in the second supplementary statement of expenditure for the current year. Meanwhile an advance from the Bihar Contingency Fund is being obtained for incurring immediate expenditure.

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STATEMENT-I

Statement showing an estimate of the recurring cost for the Institute of Post-Graduate Studies and Research in Jain and P-rakrit Learning at Vaishali in the district of Muzaffarpur.

Recurring	Per Year
1. One post of Director at Rs. 1000/-in class I of the B. E. S. in. the scale of Rs. 350-25-650-EB 35-1000/-with a special pay of Rs. 150/-p. m.	12,000/- 1, 800/-
2. One Senior Professor in Class I B. E. S	4,200/-
3. One Junior Professor in Class II B. E. S.	2, 400/-
4. One Librarian in the scale of Rs. 100-5-125-EB-5-150.	1,200/-
5. One-Clerk-cum-Accountant in the scale of 80-4-100-EB-4-120	960/-
6. One Steno-Typist in the scale of Rs. 50-2-70 EB-2-90 plus short-hand allowance of Rs. 25/- for unpassed and Rs. 40/- for passed hand.	900/-
7. One peon in the scale of Rs. 22/8/-/8/-27/8/-P. m.	270/-
8. One Chaukidar in the scale of Rs. 22/8/-8/-27/-87/- p. m.	270/-
9. Provision for Visiting Professors	8,000/-
10. Library	3,000/-
11. Miscellaneous contingencies including Rs. 600/- for hospitality to distinguished guests.	1,500/-
12. Scholarships and Stipends	6,000/-
13. Publication	3,000/-
14. Cost of Living Allowance	4,200/-
15. Travelling Allowance	500/-
16. Rent-free house or house-rent allowance at 10 pc. of basic pay to Director in lieu there of	1,200/-
Total	Rs. 51, 400/-

STATEMENT 11

Non-recurring	
1. Building	Rs 3,20,000/-(including 25,000/- for quarters of the staff)

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2.	Land	60 000/-
3.	Library (Books and periodicals)	1,00,000/.
4.	Furniture	20,000/-
	Total	5,00,000/-

2

Extension of the term of the Institute of Post-Graduate studies and Research in Jain & Prakrit learning (now named as Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa) at Vaishali in the District of Muzaffarpur.

Letter No. 4412 dt-21 st November 1960, from the Deputy secretary to Government of Bihar Education Department to the Accountant General, Bihar, through the Finance Department.)

I am directed to refer to the orders contained in Government Order no. 5314 dated the 25th November, 1955 and to say that the State Government have been pleased to sanction the extension of the term of the Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Vaishali, (at present located at Muzaffarpur), on a permanent basis with effect from the 25th November, 1960, at an ultimate cost of Rupees 72,372/-(Rs Seventy two thousand three hundred & seventy two) only as datailed in the enclosed statement

The cost will be debited to the appropriate unit under the head" 37—Education—E General Miscellaneous—Improvement of Oriental Education—Establishment of the Institute of post—Graduate Studies and Research in Jain and Prakrit learning—Vaishali" in the current year's budget. Necessary provision of funds has been made in the budget for the year 1960-61.

3. The Director of Public Instruction, Bihar, has been informed.

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Statement showing an estimate of the recurring cost involved in sanctioning the establishment of the Prakrit Institute on permanent basis.

	Annual Rs. Np.	Ultimate Rs. nP.
(1) One post of Director in class I. B. E. S. in the scale of Rs. 350/—1000/—with a special pay of Rs. 150/—per month.	12,000-00. 1,800—00.	12,000-00. 1.800-00.
(ii) One Professor of Prakrit in class I. B. E. S. in the scale of Rs.350/—1000/—	4,200—00.	8.412-00
(iii) Two Lecturers in class II B. E. S. in the scale of Rs. 200—20—220—25/—320/—E. B.—25—670 EB.—20—750	4,800—00.	11,712-00.
(iv) One Librarian in the scale of Rs. 100—5—125-EB—5—150/—	1.200—00.	1.560—00.
(v) One Head Clerk—cum—Accountant in the Scale of Rs. 80—4—100—EB—4—120/	960—00.	1,296—00.
(vi) One Steno-typist in the scale of Rs. 5 0—2—70—EB—2—90*—Plus short hand allowance of Rs. 25/—per month	900—00.	1,164—00.
(vii) Four class IV servants (one Orderly, one office peon, one library peon and one Chaukidar in the scale of Rs. 22/8/- /8/- 27/8/-	1.080—00.	1.248—00.
(viii) C. L. A.	5.400—00.	5,400—00.
(ix) T. A.	500—00.	500—00.
(x) Library	2.000-00.	2,000-00.
(x) Miscellaneous contingencies (including pay to contingent menials, if any).	2,000—00.	2,000-00.

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(xii) Stipends & Scholarships	6,100—00.	6,100-00.
(xiii) Publication of research works.	3,000—00.	3,000-00.
(xiv) House rent to the Director at Rs. 100/—per month or at 10 p.c. of pay in lieu of rent-free quarter-whichever is less.	1,2000—00.	1,200—00.
(xv) Rent, rates and taxes for Hostel and Institute Buildings.	4,980—00.	4,980—00.
(xvi) Honorarium to visiting Professor.	8,000—00.	8,000—00.
Total	60,120—00.	72,372—00.

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CONSTITUTION

(As approved by Government of Bihar Order No. 5466 dated 9-10-1956 and as amended by Gov. Order No. 2779 dated 11-7-1960)

The Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa (Prakrit, Jainashastra our Ahimsa Shodha Samsthan), Vaishali (Muzaffarpur) was established by the State Government of Bihar by their order No. 1/E-301/55 E-5314 dated the 25th November, 1955. For the purpose of establishing this Institute, the State Government were pleased to accept from Shri Shanti Prrsad Jain, a leading industrialist of Bihar and prominent member of the Jaina Community, the following generous offers :-

(a) Rupees twenty five thousand (Rs, 25,000/-) per annum for a period of five years on a recurring basis, towards meeting the cost of recurring expenditure on the Institute.

(b) A lump sum amount of rupees five lacs (Rs 5,00,000/-) to meet the entire non recurring cost of the Institute on account of land, buildings, library and furniture.

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It was after due consideration, decided to locate the Institute at Vaishali, the ancient seat of democracy and learning in the district of Muzaffarpur, in the vicinity of the Basukund site, traditionally believed to be the birth place of lord Mahavira, the last Tirthamkara of Jainism. About fifteen acres of land has already been donated voluntarily by the local land-owners. The foundation stone of the Institute was laid by the President of the Indian Union Dr. Rajendra Prasad, on the 23rd April, 1956, the same day that he also laid the Mahavira Memorial Stones at the traditionally known birth-place of the Tirthamkara.

I. AIMS AND OBJECTS

The purpose of establishing the Institute is to develop it into a centre of the highest studies and researches in (a) Prakrit languages and literature; (b) Jainology in all its branches, namely, Jain philosophy, history literature, art etc, in all their different aspects and (c) the principle of Ahimsa, and its practice both by the individual and the society. A comparative study of the technique of non-violence as experimented in different societies, at different periods of time, all over the world, should prove valuable. At the Institute efforts shall be made :-

(1) To provide educational and residential facilities for the teachers and the students of the Institute. in a manner consistent with the best Indian traditions and the most modern methods;

(2) To build and equip an up-to-date library of printed books, manuscripts journals, periodicals and all other forms of literary production suitable for study and reference;

(3) To admit graduates of recognised universities; impart instruction to them and prepare them for the M. A. Examination of the University of Bihar in Prakrit and Jainology;

(4) To admit qualified Scholars for research work in Prakrit and Jainology and the technique of Ahimsa, and

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provide them with facilities and guidance so as to enable them to prepare their thesis and supplicate for the doctorate degrees of Ph. D. and D. Litt;

(5) To allow approved Scholars to join the Institute for a short period in order to enable them to benefit from the library and other facilities provided by the Institute, and to learn methods of research work of critically editing old texts by participating in the research and publication programme of the Institute;

(6) To invite eminent scholars and other great personalities from outside, to visit the Institute, to stay and deliver lectures at the Institute and to give the benefit of their experience, guidance and advice regarding the activities of the Institute;

(7) To welcome monks, ascetics and other religious minded persons who may like to visit the Institute and stay there for a short period in order to acquaint themselves with its activities and methods of study and research, or otherwise to derive benefit fromassociation with the teachers and scholars or use the library and other facilities available at the Institble;

(8) To edit, translate and publish selected ancient Prakrit texts and Jaina works in Prakrit, Sanskrit, Hindi and other languages;

(9) To prepare and publish dictionaries bibliographies, anthologies etc. concerning Jaina and Prakrit learning;

(10) To carry on original research work in the field of Prakrit and Jainology and publish the results in the form of books, pamphlets and articles contributed to learned journals and periodicals.

(11) To publish a quarterly or half-yearly Bulletin of the Institute in English and Hindi in order to acquaint the outside world with the activities and progress of the Institute;

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(12) To arrange meetings, hold conferences, discourses, dialogues and dramas, invite learned bodies, organise lantern shows and exhibitions and similar other activities including tour and trips to promote the cause of Jaina and Prakrit learning and

(13) To take all other steps necessary to safeguard the interests of the Institute and in furtherance of the aims and objects set forth above.

II Organisation of Postgraduate Teaching.

(1) The Institute will admit students who have passed the B. A. Examination and will prepare them for the M. A. Degree of the University of Bihar in Prakrit & Jainology.

(2) The M. A. Course in Prakrit and Jainology as taught in this Institute will be much more specialised and intensive than the courses at present prevalent in some other Universities, the aim being to prepare the students and stimulate them for original research work.

(3) While the M. A. course in Prakrit and Jainology will be prescribed by the University of Bihar in accordance with the procedure laid down in the University Calendar it is suggested that the following might be suitable elements for the same :—

(i) Ardha-magadhi language and literature.
(ii) Sauraseni laungage and literature.
(iii) Maharashtri and Apabhramsa language and literature.
(iv) Prakrits of the dramas and inscriptions.
(v) Comparative philosophy with particular reference to Hindu, Budhist and Jaina Philosophy.
(vi) Prakrit Grammar, Philology and Prakrit Prosody.
(vii) History and Culture :—
  (a) Ancient Indian History and Culture.
  (b) History of Jainism and Jaina literature.
(viii) Special study of an author or work.

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(3) The medium of instruction will be English as well as Hindi and the candidates will have the option to answer the questions in their Examination either in Hindi or in English.

(4) Teaching imparted at the Institute will be based upon personal contact between the professors and the students, and greater emphasis will be laid upon the tutorial and seminar system than upon formal lectures.

III Organisation of Research Work.

(1) A candidate who has already taken the degree of Master of Arts of a recognised University and is considered fit for conducting research work may be admitted as a research scholar of the Institute.

(2) A research scholar will have to work regularly at the Institute for a period of three years for preparing his thesis for the Ph. D. and for five years for the D. Litt. Degree of the Bihar University. This period may, however, be relaxed in the case of those candidates who have already had some training or experience of research work and whose published research work justifies such relaxation.

(3) On admission, a resarch scholar will be assigned to a professor of the Institute according to the nature of his research work. With the aid of his professor, the candidate will select a suitable title for his thesis, draw up a synopsis of the subject and prepare a bibliography on the subject. He will then launch upon the study according to a fixed plan under the guidance of his professor who will supervise his research work from day to day.

(4) In case the professor in charge reports that a particular candidate is making no progress with his thesis on account of incapacity or idleness, he may be advised to leave the Institute.

(5) A visiting scholar may be allowed to join the Institute for any short period of time, in order to derive benefit from the use of the library and other facilities avail-

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able at the Institute and for completing his own literary work.

IV SPECIAL RESEARCH PROJECTS.

While the research scholars and the members of the teaching staff of the Institute would carry on research work individually in their own special subjects, the Institute as a whole shall have its long term as well as short term programmes of research and publication to be pursued and and executed according to a plan. While Jainology Prakrit offer a vast unexplored field for special study and research the work that may profitably be taken in hand is as follows :-

(1) A critical and comprehensive study of Ahimsa in theory and practice through ages in various parts of the world in general, and in India in particular.

(2) Discovery of Prakrit and Jaina works from old manuscript stores not so far known, and compilation of descriptive catalogue of Prakrit manuscripts known to exist in various libraries and Bhandars in India as well as outside.

(3) Critical edition and publication of Prakrit & Jaina works not so far critically edited.

(4) Special study of important Prakrit and Jaina authors and works.

(5) Special study of the various Prakrit languages from the comparative and historical points of view, as well as of Prakrit Grammar, philology, prosody and other collateral sciences.

(6) Preparation of anthologies, dictionaries, bibliographies etc. pertaining to Prakrit and Jainism.

(7) A critical study of the various aspects of Jain Philosophy, history and other branches of Jainology.

(8) Critical study of the Jaina arts such as architecture, sculpture and painting of which examples from most ancient times are found in existence at various ancient sites, in museums and in private collections.

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(9) A crtical examination of the modern languages and dialects with a view to discover the link with their Prakrit protoiypes.

(10) A critical study of ancient non-Jaina literature in Sanskrit and Pali with a view to discover evidence pertaining to Jainism.

(11) Any other original literary pursuit calculated to enhance learning and make a substantial contribution to knowledge in the field of Prakrit and Jinology.

V PUBLICATION.

(1) The Institute will have a publication department of its owr.

(2) The Institute may, from time to time, publish monographs, texts, critical editions, catalogues, bibliographies, dictionaries, histories, and other critical works as well as a research Journal.

(3) The works selected for publication will ordinarily be those that are prepared at the Institute.

(4) The management of publication work, including selection of works, estimate of costs, contract with a printing press, purchase of paper etc. will be entrusted to a committee to be called "Publication committee" which will be appointed by the generai Council.

VI OFFICERS OF THE INSTITUTE.

(1) The following shall be tho officers of the Institute (i) Adhishthata (ii) Adhyaksha (iii) Pitha-Pradhana.

(2) The Covernor of Bihar shall be the Adhishthata of the Institvte. He shall, by virtue of his office, be the head of tha Institute, and shall, when present, preside over the meetings of the Board of Advisors and the General Council as well as any other ceremonial meetings of the Institute. He shall have the right to make an inspection or to cause an inspection to be made, of the Institute and to make an enquiry or cause an enqviry to be made in respect of any matter connected with the Institute. He

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will exercise such other powers as may be considered necessary in the interest of the Institute.

(3) The Minister of Education, Bihar shall be the Adhyaksha of the Institute. He will preside over the meetings of the Board of Advisors and the General Council in the absence of the Adhishthata. He may inspect or cause to be inspected the Institute and its working from time to time. He may exercise such other powers as may be considered necessary in the interest of the Institute.

(4) The Pitha-pradhana (Director) shall be a whole time officer of the Institute. He shall be the academic and executive head of the Institute, subject to the directions given to him from time to time by the Government, the D. P. I. Bihar, and the General Council. He will supervise the office and the various branches of work in the Institute. He will be responsible for admitting students on such advice of the members of the staff as he may like to take, and subject to such general policy as may be indicated or laid down by the Government. He shall also exercise powers and perform duties as follows:—

(1) He will, in cooperation with the members of the staff, plan the programme of work of the Institute from time to time.

(ii) He will distribute duties and entrust different branches of work among the members of the staff and will generally be responsible for seeing that the activities of the Institute confirm to the aims and objects laid down for it.

(iii) He will be the ex-officio Secretary of the General Council and the Board of Advisors, and will, when present, preside over the meetings of the Committees of Courses and the Publication Committee.

) iv) He will be the General Editor of all the Publications of the Institute.

(v) He will supervise the preparation of the Annual Report of the Institute.

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(VI) He will grant leave to scholarship-holders reading in the Institute, subject to the rules prescribed by Government.

(vii) He will pass his own contingent bills as well as bills for scholarships, stipends or rewards payable to students and scholars reading in the Institute.

(viii) He may, on satisfactory reasons being shown for the delay, sanction the drawing of scholarships forfeited on account of the failure of the scholars to join the Institute within one month from (a) the date of publication of the scholarship list in the Bihar Gezette or (b) the date from which the scholarships are tenable, whichever is later.

(ix) He may, without reference to Govt. spend sums which have been specially assigned for the award of the Institute scholarships, medals and prizes assigned by trustdeeds or otherwise for the benefit of the Institute. This power is, however, limited to cases in which the Secretary to Government is not himself the administrator under the trustdeeds.

(x) He may, on the recommendation of a Selection Commitee, appoint menials and other officers outside the graded service to posts under the Institute whose pay does not exceed Rs. 40/- a month.

(xi) He may purchase prize and library books within the sanctioned allotment.

(xii) He may appoint a subordinate officer to remain in charge of the Institute during a vacation or in the absence of the Director on any business during terms, subject to report to the D. P. I.. Bihar.

(xii) In the case of a pupil leaving the State of Bihar for an institution in another State of the Indian Union, he may, subject to the approval of the Director of Public Instruction, Bihar, sanction the pupils' migration. Doubtful cases of issuing certificates should be sent to the D. P. I, Bihar for countersignature.

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(xiv) He may award free studentship within the prescribed limit.

(xv) He will countersign bills for the travelling allowance of all officers in the Institute.

(xvi) He will submit indents for forms and envelopes direct to the Deputy Superintendent, Government Printing, Gaya.

(xvii) He shall make all arrangements of classes, settlement of routines, annual examinations, awarding of class-promotions and all other matters relating to discipline and teaching.

(xviii) In the matter of appointments. disciplinary control of subordinates, drawing and counte signing of bills of various kinds, granting of leave to subordinate officers, indenting for forms and various articles, incurring of contingent expenditure, preparation of budget and other connected matters he shall enjoy such powers as will be delegated to him by the controlling officer, viz the D. P. I, Bihar.

VII AUTHORITIES OF THE INSTITUTE.

(1) The following shall be the auihorities of the Institute:—

(i) The General Council (Adhishthatri Parishad-)

(ii) The Board of Advisers (Manthrana Mandal).

(iii) The Executive Commitee (Prabandha Samiti).

(iv) The Publication Commitee (Prakashana Samiti).

(2) The General Council may, from time to time recommend to the Government the formation of such other Committees as may be considered necessary.

(3) The General Council shall consist of thirty seven members as follows:—

(I) EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS. (I-XVIII)

(i) Adhishthata-Rajyapal of Bihar.

(ii) Adhyaksha-Minister for Education, Bihar.

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(iii) Deputy Minister for Education, Bihar, —Member.

(iv) The vice-Chancellor of the Bihar University"

(v) The Vice-Chancellor of the Patna University"

(vi)) The Vicc-Chancellor of the Ranchi University"

(vii) " , Bhagalpur " "

(viii) The Commissioner of the Tirhut Division, Muzaffarpur and President of the Executive Committee.

(ix] The Secretary to the Govt. of Bihar, Education Deptt. Patna.

(x) The Director of Public Jnstruction, Bihar, Patna.
(x) The Director of the Mithila Institute. Darbhanga.

(xii) The Director of Nava Nalanda Mahavihara, Nalanda, Patna.

(viii) The Director, K. P. Jayaswal Research Institute. Patna.

(viv) Assistant Director of Education (Sanskrit). Bihar.

(xv) Principal, L. S. College. Muzaffarpur.

(xvi) Head of the Department of Ancient Indian History & Archaeology, Patna University.

(vvii) Director. Rural Institute. Birauli, Darbhanga.

(xviii) Director, Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology and Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur.....Pitha Pradhana.

(II) OTHER MEMBERS NOMINATED BY GOVT. (XVII-XXI)-FIVE EMINENT SCHOLARS OF PRAKRIT & JAINOLOGY.

(ixx-vxiii) Five Eminent scholars of Prakrit & Jainology, nominated by the Government of Bihar. The members under this category will be appointed by the Govt in consultation with the Sahu Jain Trust.

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(xxii-xxviii) Nine Non-official members.

(xxiv-xxii) Nine non-official members nominated by the Govt. of Bihar Two members under this category will be the nominees of the Sahu Jain Trust, including Shri S. P. Jain, as life member and three other members will be appointed by the Govt. in consultation with the *Sahu Jain Trust:*

(xxxiii) Head of the Sanskrit Deptt. of the Patna University.

(xzxiv) A representative of the Vaishali Sangh.

(xxxv) A representative of the Jaina Tirtha Kshetra Committee of Bihar.

(xxxvi) Professor of Jainism, Oriental College, B. H. U., Varanasi.

(xvxvii) One member of ths staff of the Institute, appointed by rotation.

(4) The term of members other than ex-officio members shall be three years. Qld members will however continue to be in office until new members are appointed.

(5) The General Council shall be the *Supreme governing body* of the Institute, subject only to the General direction and control of the State Government of Bihar. It shall have power to revise the acts of the other authorities of the Institute and exercise all the powers not otherwise provided for by or under this consittution.

(6) The General Council shall meet ordinarily once a year to transact the following business:—

(i) To consider the Annual Report of the Institute for the previous year,

(ii) To constder the audited accounts of tee previous year,

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(iii) To note the minutes of the meetings of the other authorities of the Institute and consider the resolutions that may have been passed by them.

(iv) To examine the schemes, plans, projects, if any, for the betterment of the Institute and take such decision as it may think fit.

(v) To note the courses of study prescribed by the University of Bihar in Prakrit and Jainology.

(vi) To approve of the next year programme of-

(a) Scholarships and prizes.

(b) Research work.

(c) Publication.

(vii) To make recommendations for *items of expenditure* to be included in the budget.

(vii) To frame *rules and regulations* for the following:-

(a) Admission of students.

(b) Courses of studies.

(c) Award of scholarships, stipends, prizes, etc.

(d) Management of the library.

(e) Assignment of work among the teachers.

(f) Assessment of day to day progress of the students.

(g) Management of the Hostels.

(h) Any other matters concerning the Institute, with the approval of. or on reference by, the state Govt.

(ix) The General Council may, by a *special resolution*, and with the *approval of the state Gouernment, delegate same* of its powers to the Executive Committee.

BOARD OF ADVISERS.

(7) The Board of Advisers will consist of not more than fifteen members nominated by the State Government, from amongst eminently learned scholars every five years.

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(8) The members of the Board of Advisers. individually as well as collectively, when possible will be consulted by the Director of the Institute on its research and teaching programmes and other academic items of the Institute, the object being to secure the results of ripe wisdom and *experience* of eminent scholars for the benefit of the Institute. and to maintain *contact* with the scholarly world in the country as well as outside.

(9) The Board of Advisers will transact its business by meeting when necessary and practicable, but more usually by *correspondence*.

(10) The advice of the individual members and of the Board Shall be placed before the General Council of the Institute, and where necessary, before the Board of studies for necessary action.

(11) Every member of the Board of Advisers shall be entitled to receive copies of the *programme of work* for the year and *a copy of the Annual Reports.*

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

(13) The Executive Committee shall consist of eleven members as follows:

I EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS. (i-v)

(i) Commissioner, Tirhut Division–Chairman.

(ii) District Magistrate. Muzaffarpur—Member.

(iii) Principal. Rural Institute,
Birauli. Darbhanga- do.

(iv) Head of the Department of Sanskrit,
L. S. College, Muzaffarpur., do,

(v) Director, Research Institute of
Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur...
Secretary.

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II NOMINATED MEMBERS (vi-xi)

(vi) Not more than six members nominated by the Government of Bihar; Two members under this category will be appointed by the Government in consu- ltation with the *Sahu Jain Trust.*

(14) The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the day to day adminisitration of of the Institute and will exercisr control over its routine matters. It will exercise such other powers as are vested in it by the State Government and delegated to it by the General Council from time to time.

(15) The students of the Institute will be allowed to appear as *private candidates* at the M. A., Ph. D. and D. Litt. Examinations of Bihar University. But the period of study required of them by the Bihar University will not be more than what is required of candidates from an affiliated college.

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

(16) Publication Committee shall consist of the following:—

(i) Minister for Education. Bihar–	Chairman.
(ii) Director of the Institute.	Secretary.
(iii) A professer of the Institute, nominated by the Director.	Member.

(iii–v) Three other persons nominated by the General Council.

(17) The Publication Committee shall recommend to the General Council the works that should be published by the Institute.

(18) The publication Committee shall make all the arrangements for the settlement of terms with the printers and authors and shall be responsible for drawing up a programme of publication adherent to it.

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(19) The publication committee shall deal with all the matters of detail arising out of the publications, and shall prepare accounts of the the publication fund as well as arrange for the sale of the publications.

(20) The publication Committee shall submit an annual report of its work to the General Council.

(21) The publication Committee will prepare draft rules regarding the rates of payment, royalties, method of selection of printing presses purchase of stock and arrangement for sale etc. These rules will be submitted to the *General Council* for their approval and *recomendation to the State Government.*

VIII GENERAL.

(1) The General Council may, in consultation with the Board of Advisers or the Committee concerned or otherwise, recommend to the State Government any changes in this Constitution.

(2) The General Council, the Boardof Advisers and the various Committees may Prepare draft Regulations on different matters falling within their jurisdiction and may submit them to the State Government through the proper channels for their approval. All such Regulations shall be subject to the approval of the State Government.

(3) As the employees of the Institute will be Government servants, they shall be governed by the Government rules relating to recruitment, service conditions, disciplinary control etc. which cocern them.

(4) The rules of procedure (i. e. quyum, method of transaction of business in the meetings, mothod of voting, order of business etc.) of the General Council, the Board of Advisers and the Committees, will be prepared by the *various bodies themselves.* These rules shall be submitted

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to Government, and it shall be open to the Government to direct any changes to be made in these rules.

Bihar University Regulations concerning this Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa as per Bihar University Calendar Vol. I (1957)

Regulations iv (Bachelor's Degree Examinations) P. 191.

14 (c) (A canditiate who has been admitted to the Mithila Institute of Post-graduate Studies and Research in Sanskrit Learning or the Nalanda Pali Institute at Nalanda or the Institute of Post-Graduate Studies and Rosearch in Jain and Prakrit learning as a regular student and has not taken either B. A. or B. O. L. Degree may offer himself for an examination in English of the B. A. standard consisting of three papers. including Viva Voce, each carring 100 marks, specially provided for the purpose. In order to pass in English a candidate must obtain 100 morks provided that he secures a minimum of 12 marks out of 40 marks set apart for the Viva Voce Examination.)

Regulation ix (M. A. Examinations) :—

1. (vi) p. 244.

A candidate, who has passed the B. A. examination with Prakrit, Sanskrit or Pali may be admitted to the M. A. Examination in Prakrit and Jainology. 2

2. (c) p. 246.

Notwithstanding anything cotained in regulations (a) and (b) of this Chapter a candidate, who has completed a regular course of study for three academic years only in the Institute of Post- Craduate Studies and research in Jain and Prakrit Learning shall be admitted to the M. A. examination in Prakrit & Jainology, if he has passed an examination in English of the B. A. standard specially provided for the purpose, as contained in regulation 14 (c) of Chapter IV of the Regulations.

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Provided that a candidate, who has taken B. A. or B. O. L. Degree and has completed a regular course of study in the Institute of Post-graduate Studies and Research in Jain & Prakrit Learning for two years only shall be admitted to the M. A. Examination in Prakrit and Jainology without passing any examination in English provided for student of the Institute of Post-Graduate Studies and Research in Jain Prakrit Learning. 3

PROSPEECTUS FOR THE YEAR 1960-61

1. This Institute has been established by the Govt. of Bihar for Post-Graduate Studies and Research in Prakrit Jainology and Ahimsa. It admits students and prepares them for the M. A. Examination of the University of Bihar in the subject of Prakrit and Jailology for which a course has been prescribed by the University. The Institute also admits students for training in Research work and for helping them in preparing theses for the Ph. D. and D. Litt. Degrees of the Bihar Universiiy. It will also admit oriental scholars who have passed the Acharya Examinaiion of Bihar Association or any other examination equivalent thereto and prepare them for the Special English Examination of the Bihar University which will enable them to take the M. A. Examination subsequently. For these purposes the library of the Institute is well equipped.

2. Candidates for admission to the M. A. class in Prakrit & Jainology should have passed the B. A. Enamination of a recognised University, with Prakrit, Pali or Sanskrit as one of their subjects. If Sanskrit was not their subject for the B. A. it should have formed part of their course for the Intermediate or Matriculation, as without an adequate knowledge of Sanskrit it is difficult to make progress in classical studies beyond a particular limit.

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1. Added by the Senate on 27. 3. 54. Item No. 23 and on 28. 11. 54, Item No. 10.

(2) Senate Item 22, dated 30. 11. 1956.

(3) Senate Item 22. daded 30. 11. 1956.

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3. Candidates for admission as Research scholars should have passed their M, A. Examination in Prakrit either as an independent subject or as a special group in Sanskrit as the case may be in the University from which the candidate has taken his Master's Degree. He should also have an aptitude for research work and capacity to work hard in literary pursuit.

4. No tuition fee will be charged and free hostel accomodation will be provided for a limited number of students and scholars.

5. A few scholarships of the value of Rs. 35/- per month for the M. A. students and of Rs. 150/- each per month for the Research scholars will be awarded to specially deserving candidates. They shall have to sign a bond to the effect that they shall devote their whole time to this study and in case they discontinue their studies abruptly without permission, or they are asked to leave the Institute for unsatisfactory progress or conduct, they shall refund all the money received by them by way of scholarship.

6. Students and scholars admitted to the Institute shall have to devote themselves exclusively to their studies under the guidance of their Professors. They shall not be permitted to engage themselves in activities which may be inconsistent with their studentship. They would be expected to spend all their spare time in the library. Any act of indiscipline. misbehaviour or misconduct may render them liable to expulsion from the Institute.

7. The Institute will open after the Summer Vacation, on Monday, the 13th. July, 60. Applications for admission to the M. A. class or for Research work should reach the Director, Prakrit Jain Institute, Muzaffarpur, Bihar by 1 st July, 1960, or within two weeks of the publication of the University results. Forms of application will be supplied by the Institute on demand, The students when joining the Institute shall have to submit their migration and character certificates.

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BIHAR UNIVERSITY

M. A. EXAMINATION-1961-1962.

Course of study in Prakrit & Jainology.

There shall be eight papers in the subject, Papers 1st to IV will be common for all candidates while paper V to VIII will be optional according to groups. Each paper shall be of four hours duration and shall carry 100 marks:—

Paper I-Ardhamagadhi and Sauraseni.

1. आयरंग . 1st Srutasnahdha, Ch. IX only
2. सूयगडंग Ch. 1. only.
3. उत्तरज्झयण Ch. 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 12, 13, 22 &23.
4. पवयणसार ।

Paper II-Maharastri, Apabhramsa and prosody.

(A) Maharastri... ... ... 40 marks

1, समराइच्च कहा Chs. I & II.
2. सेतुवन्ध Asvasas I & II.

(B) Apabhramsa and Drama- 40 marks.

1. पउमचरिउ सधि २१-२३ ।
2. मृच्छकटिकम् Prakrit portions. only.

(C) Prosody..... 20 marks.

(i) General distinction between वर्ण and मात्रा metres.

(ii) Formation of

(iii) Characteristics of the following metres of Prakrit.

गाथा, दोहा, रोला, उप्पहअ, घत्ता, चउपहया, पज्झटिका, अडिल्ला, पादाकुलक, रड्डा, दुवर्क, दीपकँ ।

Note :-Besides the metres mentioned above, the students are expected to understand the nature of all the metres occuring in their iext books.

Books for reference :-

1. प्राकृत पेंगलम् ।

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2. Prakrit Metres by Dr. Velankar.

Paper III–Grammar and philology

3. Grammar. 50 marks.

प्राकृत व्याकरण— of Hemchandra.

(B) Philology, 50 marks.

The following syllabus is prescribed :—

1. तुलनान्तमक भाषा विज्ञान का स्वरुप और विषय।
2. ध्वनि यंत्र।
3. ध्वनियों का वर्गीकरण।
4. ध्वनि परिवर्तन और उनके कारण।
5. भाषा और बोलियाँ।
6. विविध भाषा परिवार।
7. यूरेशिया की भाषा।
8. वैदिक और वेदोत्तर कालीन आर्य भाषाओं का वर्गीकरण।
9. प्राकृत भाषाओं का विकास और उनका वाशिष्ठ्य तथा परस्पर साम्य वैषम्य।

Books for reference :—

1, Dr. S. Chatterjee-Indo-Aryan and Hindi.

1. Babu Ram Saxena-सामान्य भाषा विज्ञान

Paper IV-History and Culture.

(a) Outlines of ancient Indian history and culture period from the time of Srenika Bimbisara up to the period of Kumarapala Chalukya... 40 marks....

Books for reference :—

1. R. D. Banerjee-Pre-historic ancient and Hindu India.
2. Macdonell-India's past.

Gyani-भारतीय संस्कृति।

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4. Cambridge History of India Vol. I.
5. The History and Culture of Indian people Vol. I to IV.

(b) History of Jainism and Jaina Literature..... 60 marks.

1. Winternitz-A History of Indian Literature Vol. II Section IV (Jain Literature)
2. Jacobi-Jaina Studies (Ahmedabad V. 1945).
3. Kailash Chandra Shastri-Jaina Dharma.

GROUP-A-SAHITYA.

Paper–V.

1. ना याधम्म कहाओ Cha. IV-VIII edited by N. V. Vaidya,
2. भगवती सूत्र Cha. XV—(गोशालमत only), Ed, by N. V. Vaidya,
3. पंचत्थिकाय। Bombay, 1954.

Paper VI-Maharastri,

1. गउडवहो from the beginning up to the end of कवि प्रशंसा।
2. कुमारपालचरित--प्राकृत हवायश्रय सर्ग १--२।
3. दोहाकोश of तिल्ला, सरह and काण्ह।

For reference only :—

Kochad, अपभ्रंश साहित्य का इतिहास।

Tagore,-Historical Grammar of Apabhramsa

Paper VIII–History & Essay.

(a) Essay in Hindi or English on a subject pertaining to this group.

(b) History of Prakrit Language and Literature.

Books for reference :–

1. Winternitz, A history of Indian Literature Vol; II
2. A. U. & Woolner, Introduction to Prakrit (English)

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Banarsidas,-प्राकृत-प्रवेशिका

Or

A dissertation in lieu of paper VIII, consisting of a critical exposition, in about 50 typed pages, of any important work or a topic concerning Jainology, Prakrit Literature or Prakrit Language.

GROUP B. सिद्धान्त

Paper V—दर्शन

1. द्रव्य संग्रह—नेमिचन्द्राचार्यकृत
2. समयसार—कुन्दकुन्दाचार्यकृत
3. गोम्मटसार—जीवकांड—नेमिचन्द्राचार्यकृत
4. तत्वार्थ सूत्र with स्वार्थ सिद्धि टीका

Paper VI—कर्म सिद्धान्त

1. गोम्मटसार—कर्मकांड—नेमिचन्द्राचार्यकृत
2. कर्मग्रन्थ १—६

Paper VII—आचारशास्त्र

1. कल्पसूत्र
2. दखयेयालिय
3. मूलाचार—वध्केराचार्यकृत
4. वसुनन्दि—श्रावकाचार

For Reference:—

Dr. S. B. Deo-Jaina Monachism.

Paper VIII—History & Essay

Essay in Hindi or English on a subject pertaining to this group.....50 marks.

2. History of Jaina Siddhanta.....50 marks

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Books for reference:—

1. J. L. Jaini—Outlines of Jainism
2. Nahar and Ghose—Epitome of Jainism.
3. Glassenap—The Jaina Doctrine of Karma.
4. Tatia—Studies in Jain Philosophy, Chapters IV & V only.
5. Mehta—Outlines of Jaina Philosophy.

Or, A Dissertation, in lieu of paper VIII, consisting of a critical exposition, in Hindi or English, in about 50 typed pages, of any important doctrine of branch of Jaina Philosophy pertaining to the subjects represented by the Group.

Group—C Epistemology and Logic.

Paper V—ज्ञानतत्व

1. नन्दी सूत्र
2. तत्वार्थ श्लोकवार्तिक Ch. I only.

Paper VII—नय and स्याद्वाद

1. आप्तमीमांसा with वसुमंदी 's वृत्ति
2. नयचक्र of Devasena
3. स्याद्वाद मंजरी of Hemacandra.

Paper VII—प्रमाण शास्त्र

1. प्रमेय कमलमार्त्तण्ड (Ch. I. only)
2. प्रमाण मीमांसा of Hemacandra, with Introduction of Pt. Sukhlal Sanghavi.

Paper VIII History and Essay.

1. Essay, in Hindi or English, on a subject pertaining to this group ... 50 marks
2. History of Jaina Logic and Epistemology 50 marks.

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Books for Reference ;—

1. Mookerjee—Jaina Philosophy of Non-absolutism.
2. Pt. Mahendra Kumar Nyayacharya—जैन दर्शन ।
3. Tatia—Studies in Jaina Philosophy, chs. I, II & III only.
4. Mehata Jaina Psychology.

Or. A Dissertation in lieu of Paper VIII, consisting of a critical exposition, in about 50 typed pages, on an important aspect of Jaina Logic and Epistemology.

Group D—Epigraphy and Palaeography.

Paper V—Inscriptions.

Inscriptions of Asoka and Kharavela and the Prakrit Inscription from Mathura and of the Satavahanas.

Books for reference :—

1. Hultzsch—Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum, Vol. I.
2. Barua—Old Brahmi Inscriptions in the udayagiri and Khandagiri Caves
3. जैनशिलालेख संग्रह—Vol. III
4. D C. Sircar—Selected Inscriptions of India Vol. 1.

Paper VI—Palaeography and ancient Indian Eras.

(A) Evolution of the Brahmi Alphabet ... 75 marks.

Books for reference:-

1. Buhler—Origin of Brahmi Script.
2. G. H. Ojha—भारतीय प्राचीन लिपिमाला,
3. R. D. Pandey—Indian Palaeography.

(B) Evolution and use of ancient Indian Eras—25 marks, Chiefly, Mahavira—Nirvana, Buddha Nirvana, Vikrama Saka, Gupta and Kalacuri eras.

Books for reference:-

1. Muni Kalyanavijaya—वीर निर्वाण और जैन काल गणना ।

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2. Geiger—Introduction to his translation of the महावंस
3. E. J. Thomas—Life of Buddha (Section on Buddha Era).
4. Kielhorn—Origin and use of Vikrama and Saka era.
5. Winternitz—Appendix to his History of Indian Literature. Vol. II.
6. Fleet—Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum, Vol: III, Introduction.
7. Mirashi—Kalacuri inscriptions, Introduction.

Paper VII–Evolution of the Jaina Sangha.

Books for reference:-

1. Dr. S. B. Deo–Jaina Monachism
2. Muni Jinavijaya–पट्टावलीसमुच्चय
3. दर्शनसार of Devasena
4. स्थाविरावलीचरित of, Hemacandra
5. जैनशिलालेख संग्रह, Vols. I &. III (Introduction only) Manikchand Jaina Granthamala.
6. Dr. J. C. Jain—Life in Ancient India as depicted in Jaina Canons.

Paper VIII-History and Essay.

(A) Essay in Hindi or English, on a subject pertaining to this group..... 50 marks.

(B) Political and Cultural History of India from 600 B. C. to 1200 A. D. ..... 50 marks

Books for reference:-

1. Roy Chaudhury—Political History of Ancient India.
2. R. D. Banerjee—Pre—historic Ancient and Hindu India.
3. Macdonell—India's Past.
4. Cambridge History of India, Vol. I.

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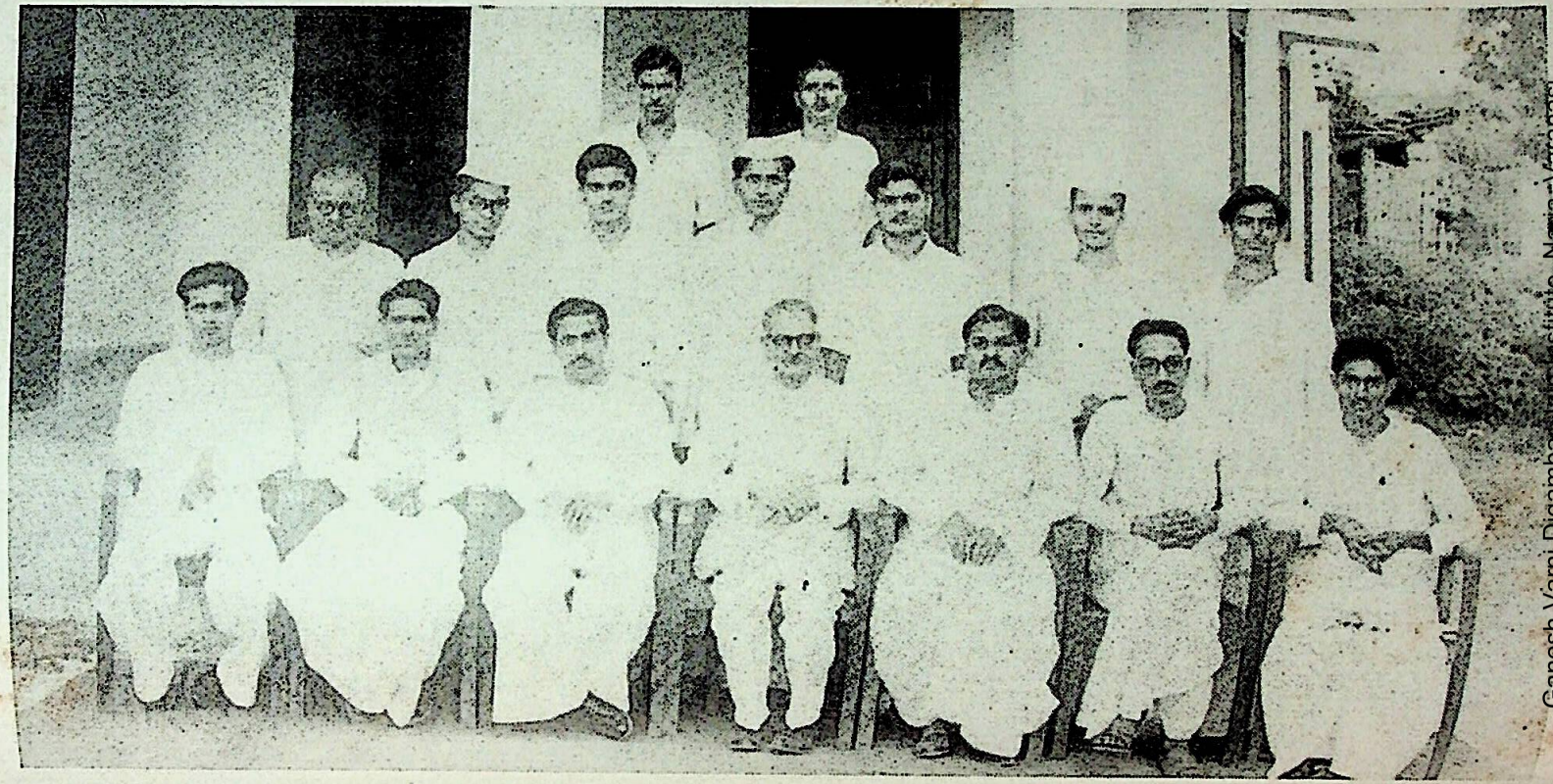

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Consolidated Report for Five Years from 1955 to 1960.

The Institute was established by the Bihar Government Order No. 5314 dated 25-11-1955, Dr. H. L. Jain was invited by the Government to become its first Director to organise the same. Accordingly, Dr. Jain joined as Director at Patna on 1-12-1955. The work done by him from that date was as follows :—

(i) According to the Government Order, the Institute was to be located at Vaishali. Therefore, the Director paid several visits to Vaishali, inspected the whole of Vaishali and its surroundings and ultimately selected the Vasu-kunda-site as the most suitable, out of about six sites recommended for the purpose. In this task he had the most willing and active co-operation of the Ex-Governor Shri R. R. Diwakar; the Education Minister. Shri Badrinath Verma; Shri Dip Narayan Singh, Minister, Shri Majumdar, Education Secretary, Shri Shohani, Commissioner, Tirhut Division; as well as the staff of the Education and Public works Department.

(ii) Mahavir's birth place was also located at Vasu-Kunda.

(iii). About fifteen acres of land at Vasu-Kunda was obtained by voluntary donations and the donation deeds were registered in favour of Bihar Government.

(iv) Arrangements were made for laying the Foundation-Stone of the Institute at the selected site and for setting up a memorial-stone at the birth-place of Mahavira. Accordingly Marble-Stones with Inscriptions in Parakrit-verses and Hindi-translation, were set up at Mahavir's birth place and the site of about two acres was protected by a fencing. The opening ceremony of this memorial as well as the ceremony of laying the foundation-stone with Inscription in Prakrit-verses and Hindi-translation, was performed by the president of the Indian Union, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, on the Mahavira Jayanti Day on 23-4-1956, in the presence of a vast congregation of people. The Union President was welcomed at both the places by the donor Shri Shanti Prasad Jain. Suitable reports, pamphletes and speeches were prepared and published by the Director for the occassion.

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(v) The Bihar University was moved to appoint a committee of courses for Prakrit & Jainology. The Committee met and framed COURSES in that subject for the Examination of 1958.

(vi) 2, 194 Books, worth Rs. 20,359-7-0 were selected and purchased for constituting the neucleus of Library for the Institute in March, 1956. Additions to rhese have been made during the last three years, so that up to the 31-7-60 the number of books in the Library was 4,394 at the total cost of Rs. 32,309 32 N. P. The break up of these figures is as follows:

Prakrit Books	546
Pali	89
Sanskrit	1750
Hindi	994
and English	1015

of these, 255 books were received by voluntary presentation. In order to make the Library sufficiently fit for higher studies and research Rs. 1,00,000/- were provided in the original resolution statement II.

(vii) All other necessary steps were taken to start the teaching work of the Institute, with effect from the beginning of the academic session of 1956-57.

(viii) **Temporary location of the Institute at Muzaffarpur.**

According to the Govt. order the Institute was to function at Muzaffarpur in the buildings of the L. S College until the necessary buildings were constructed at Vaishali by the donor Shri Shanti Pd. Jain, who had expressed a desire to construct the same through his own agency, out of the donation of five lacs, promised by him. But no accomodation for the Institute could be secured at the L S College. Therefore, a building in Naya tola was taken on a monthly rent of Rs. 160/-. This building served the purpose of the Institute for three sessions, though it was becoming increasingly insufficient for the growing needs of the Institute. Therefore, the Institute moved to another building taken on a monthly rent of Rs. 265/. with effect from 8.4 59. Another building was hired for the Hostel of the Institute, on a monthly rent of Rs. 150/- from August, 1957.

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(ix) Construction of buildings at Vaishali.

Steps had also been taken to get the lands at Vaishali surveyed and to prepare the drawings of the proposed buildings and send the same to Shri Shanti Pd. Jain, who took personal interest in the drawings and made suggestions for their improvement. The final drawings are now resting with him. Authorities had also been moved to take steps for acquiring further land adjecent to the lands already acquired by voluntary donattions, so as to reach the target of 50 acres, fixed by the Government. For acquiring land, Rs. 60,000/-, and for buildings and furniture Rs. 3,40,000/- were provided in the original resolution Statement—II.

(x) Staff.

(A) Ministrial (sanctioned)

(i) One Librarian, appointed from 16-8-56.

(ii) One clerk-cum-Accountant, appointed from 114.4.56.

(iii) One steno-typist, appointed from 6.9.56.

Application has been made for the creation of a post of an Assistant Librarian, so that classification work may be completed according to plan and it may be possible to keep the Library open for the whole day, as desired by the students and research scholars of this Institute. Govt. order is awaited.

(B) Menial staff (Sanctioned)

(i) One orderly peon, appointed from 1.12.'55

(ii) One office peon, appointed from 1 12.1956

(iii) One choukidar, appointed fron 1.8 56

(v) One Library peon, appointed from 1.12.59.

(C) Teaching staff (Sanctioned).

(i) Director.

(ii) One Professor in Class I (Vacant since 1.11.1959).

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(iii) One Asstt. prof. in Class II (not yet filled)

(iv) One Lecturer in English (appointed from 21.3.60.)

Authorities have been moved to take steps for filling the existing vacancies of Professor and Lecturer and to create one more post of a Lecturer in class II, so that it might be possible for us to start teaching of another group of alternate subjects, for the M. A. Examination.

(xi) Courses of Study.

Besides guiding research scholors for the Ph. D. Degree, there is the M. A., Course of two years duration and the B. A. (Special English) course of one year for the Oriental scholars. The M. A. course has now been re-organised, so that there shall be four alternate groups of four papers each viz (a) Prakrit literature (b) Siddhanta (c) Epistemology and Logic; and (d) Epigraphy and Paleography, with effect from the examinations of 1960.

With the very inadequate present teaching staff, it is possible to teach one of these groups only. But it is hoped that the Govt. will sanction the creation of an additional post, so that teaching of at least one more group may be possible.

Though this Institute confines its teaching to M. A., it was thought necessary for feeding this Institute that the subject of Prakrit, should be taught at the Intermediate and B. A. stage also. Accordingly, the Bihar University was moved to prescribe these courses in Prakrit and atleast one college i. e, H. D. Jain college, Arrah has started B. A. classes in Prakrit and their first batch was expected to appear for the M. A. Examination in 1960. It is hoped that the study of Prakrits for the Intermediate Examination will also be soon started. The Secondary Education Board and the Board of Sanskrit Education, have also been approached to introduce Prakrit as one of the subjects for their Examinations respectively.

(xii) Students.

There are three kinds of students admitted into the Institute as follows :

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(i) **Oriental scholars :**

Those who have passed the Shastri ,or Acharya Examinations are admitted to one year course of B. A. (Special English) prescribed by the Bihar University specially for this Institute. If they pass this examination, they become qualified for admission to the M. A. class in Prakrit & Jainolcgy. Two Oriental scholars were sent-up for the examination of 1957. They both passed the examination, were subsequently admitted to the M. A. Class and passed the M. A. Examination of 1959. Similarly, one Oriental scholar was sent-up for the 1958 examination which he passed & appeared for the M. A. Examination of 1960. In 1959, four Oriental scholars were prepared, one of whom could not take the examination on account of illness. Of the other three, two passed the Examination and they have now been admitted to the M. A. Class, this year. In the current session three Oriental students have been admitted. There are no scholarships sanctioned for these Oriental scholars, although, this is a very special and important feature of this Institute.

(ii) M. A.

The course in Prakrit & Jainology, prescribed by the Bihar University, is of two years duration, Students, who have passed the B. A. or the B. A. (Special English) Examinations, are admitted to the M. A class. To start with many students were admitted to this course; but only five of them could stick to it to the last. Of them again, one could not appear for the final Examination in 1958, owing to illness. The other four candidetes appeared and passed in first class. For the examination of 1959, seven candidates appeared and all of them passed, four in first class and three in the second class. For 1960 examination five appeared out of whom three passed in first class and three in the second. During the present session (1960-61) there are six stndents in the final M. A. and 8 in the previous M. A. class.

There are only three scholarships for M. A. of Rs 35/- per month each, sanctioned. Both the amount of scholarship as well as their number, is inadequate. There should be at least five scholarships of Rs. 50/- per month in each class.

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The Executive Council of the Institute had moved the Government for this, but this has not yet been sanctioned.

(ii) Research-Scholars.

The Bihar University registers those who have already taken the M. A. degree, for the Ph. D. degree, if their subject for the proposed thesis, is approved by the Research Board of the University. One Research scholar was admitted into the Institute, durihg the session 1956-57, another scholar was admitted during the session 1957-58, 4 during 1958-59 ahd 3 during 1959-60. The subjects of all these 9 Research scholars, have been approved by the Research Board and they have been registered by the University. Of these nine research scholars, only two are receiving Government scholarship Rs. 150.- per month. The rest of the scholars receive no financial assistance and they are maintaining themselves. There is need for increasing the number of Research Scholarships, in view of the fact that there are three spheres of studies, for research work assigned to this Institute, viz (1) Prakrit language and literature; (2) Jainology, i. e. Jain Philosophy, History etc; and (3) Ahimsa.

(iv) Research Work Conducted.

Research work is a special feature of this Institute, and according to its Constitution, the Post-Graduate Studies have to be given a research bias. Research scholars have to be guided and plans for long term Institutional Research work have to be drawn up, as well as the Professors have to conduct their own individual research work. Steps have been taken from the very beginning of the Institute to plan and organise research work along all these lines as follows :—

(I) Research work at the M. A. stage.

In the M. A. course in Prakrit & Jainology, provision had been made for the submission of a thesis in lieu of Paper VIII, so that the students may be trained in conducting a special study of some subject, some author, or some work and give a systematic exposition of the same. Accordingly, the following theses have so far been prepared and submitted for the Examination :—

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Sl. no.	Name of scholars.	Subject of thesis.	Year of submission.	Remarks.
1.	Vimal Prakash Jain, M. A.	Acharya Haribhadra and a comparative study of his works on Yoga (in Hindi).	1958.	
2.	Rajaram Jain, M. A.	Setubandha Mahakavya—a general study (Hindi)	,,	
3.	Sribandhu Choudhri M. A.	Mahapurana by Pushpadanta ; Ramayan portion ; Chapter 69-79 (in Hindi).	,,	
4.	Yogendra Narain Sharma, M. A.	Prakrit and Bhojapuri (in Hindi).	,,	
5.	Devidutta Sharma	Comparative study of Uttaradhyayana (Hindi).	1959.	
6.	Mahendra Roy	Harivansha Mahapurana by Pushpa danta; Chapter 81-92 (in Hindi)	Do	
7.	Nagina Pd. Sinha	The Exposition of Soul & Matter as propounded in Jain philosophy (in English).	,,	
8.	Vishnudeo Rai	Haribhadra and his Samaraicca—kaha.	1960.	
9.	Rajnarain Rai	A critical study of Gathasattasal.	Do	
10.	Shyam Kishore	Elements of Jainism in Bhagavat Gita.	,,	

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(2) The following theses for the Ph. D. are under preparation at the Institute :—

S 1. no.	Name of Research Scholars.	Subject of thesis	Name of Supervisor	Remarks.
1.	Jogendra Chandra Sikdar, M. A.	Studies in Bhagavati-Sutra.	Dr. H. L. Jain, M. A. LL. B., D. Litt.	This is submited.
2.	Rishva Chandra M. A.	A critical study of Pauma-Cariyam.	do	This is more than half finished.
3.	D. D. Pathan, M. A.	A critical study of Pushpadantas works in Apabhramsa.	do	A few chapters romain to be finalised.
4,	Y. N. Sharma, M. A.	Dialect & Folklore of Vaishali and surrounding Region.	Dr. J. C. Jain.	Under preparation.
5.	P. K. Modi, M. A. LL. B.	A critical study of the life and teaching of Parshwanath.	do	This is completed and getting ready for submission.
6.	V. P. Jain, M. A.	A critical study of the life of Jambuswami.	Dr. H. L. Jain	Started well.
7.	R. R. Jain, M. A.	A critical study of Rayadhus work in Apabhramsa.	do	,,
8.	Sharad Kumar Motichand Shah, M. A.	A critical & comparative study of the Philosophy of Kundakunda.	do	,,
9.	Sidheswar Sinha M A.	The cult of Ahimsa in Hindu Shastras.	do	Started well.

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(3) Special Research Projects which could be taken up by the Institute were specified in the Constitution-Section IV. The following plans of long term institutional Research work, with details of estimates of cost have been prepared and are awaiting the approval of the Publication committee and the Government.

Sl. no.	Title of Research Plan.	Estimated cost.	Remarks.
1.	Five Year Plan for a critical edition of Jain. Ardha-Magadhi Canonical literature.	Rs. 5,00,000/-	
2.	Three Year Plan for Research in Ahimsa.	Rs. 4,15,000/-	
3.	A Scheme for the collection of Old Mss.	Rs. 11,400/-	
4.	Publication Scheme.	Rs. 10,340/-	
	Total :	Rs. 9,36,740/-	

(4) The following Research work has been conducted individually by the Director and the Professors (Dr. H. L. Jain, Prof. N. Tatia, & Prof. J. C. Jain.

(i) Research work of Professor Nathmal Tatia, Professor (from August, 1956 to September, 1958) :—

Sl. no.	Title of Research work.	Publication	Remarks.
1.	The four Nikshepas.	Bihar University Journal, Vol. 3 No. 1, 1957.	A paper on Language and Reality.
2.	Ahimsa in Indian-Culture.	V. O. Ahimsa, Col. VIII, No. 9-10-1958.	
3.	Jaina Karmavada.	J. Bharati Vol. No.	
4.	Anekanta, Syadvada & Saptabhangi.		Awaiting publication
5.	A critical study of Samayajjhayana of Suyagadanga.		,,

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(ii) Dr. J. C. Jain, M. A., Ph. D., Professor (from Oct. 58 to Nov. 1959).

Sl. no.	Title of the work.	Publicatian.	Remarks.
1.	History of Prakrit Literature.		Under preparation.

(iii) Dr. H. L. Jain, M. A., LL. B., D. Litt., Director (from 1.12.1955, continuing) :—

Sl.	Title of the work.	Publication.	Remarks.
(a)	Papers published :		
1.	Parallelism of Tales between Apabhramsa and Western literature.	Bihar University Journal, Vol. II, No., 1956.	A paper read at the All India Oriental Conference, Annamalainagar.
2.	Age of the 1st Tirthankara.	Voice of Ahimsa, March April 1957 Special No	Origin of Jainism in Vedic Age.
3.	Jainism during 1000-1300 A. D.	History & culture of the Indian People, Vol. V; B. V. B. Bombay, May 1957.	Survey of the period concerning Jainism.
4.	The Problem of the Mindless living Beings.	Bihar University Journal, Vol. 3, November, 1957.	An important problem of Jain Philosophy.
5.	Jain philosophy.	Bihar Through the Ages, 1958.	Edited by Ex-Governor of Bihar Sri R R. Diwakar
6.	Jainism, Its History, Philosophy & Literature.	Indian Culture Vol. I., R. K. Mission, Calcutta, 1958.	A general Survey of the topics.

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Sl. no.	Title of the work.	Publication	Remarks.
7.	The practice of the Earlier Tirthankaras.	Awaiting publication.	A paper read at the A. I. O. Conf. Delhi, Jan, 1958.
	(b) Ancient Prakrit works edited and published for the first time :		
8.	Shatkhandagama Vol. XIV.	J. S. U. Fund, Bhilsa, 1957.	First 13 Vols. were edited & published earlier.
9.	Shatakhandagama, Vol. XV.	J. S. U. Fund Bhilsa, 1957.	,,
10.	Ditto. Vol. XVI	Do 1958	,,
11.	Jambudiva Pannatti.	Jain Sanskriti Sanrakshaka Sangha, Sholapur, 1958	An ancient Prakrit work on Jain Cosmology, critically edited in collaboration with Dr. A. N. Upadhye
12.	Sugandha-Dasami-Katha.	(Apabhramsa Poem with its Sanskrit as well as Old Gujrati, Marathi and Hindi versions).	Under publication by Bharatiya Jnanapith, Banaras.
13.	Mayana Parajaya-Cariu of Harideva	An Apabhramsa Poem of allegory type.	,,
14.	Karakanda-Cariu of Kanakamara.	Second edition with complete Hindi translation.	,,
15.	Sudansana-Cariu of Naya-Nandi.	An Apabhramsa Poem of the 11th Century.	Press copy ready

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Sl. no.	Title of the work	Publication	Remarks.
16.	Jinavani	An anthology from ancient Prakrit Jain works summarising Jainism in a systematic and continuous form.	Text ready; translation under preparation.
17.	Apabhramsa Katha Sangraha.	A collection of Apabhramsa stories in verse.	Press copy under preparation.
	(c) Papers ready and awaiting publication :		
18.	Apabhramsa Jain Sahitya.	For publication in the History of Hindi literature. Planned by Shree Dinkarji.	
19.	Contributions of Jainism to Indian Culture.	Published in Bihar Research SocietyJournal, 1959.	A paper ready before the Bihar Research Society at its Annual General Meeting on 16.8.1959.
	(e) Books and Papers under preparation :		
20.	Ahimsa in Jainism.	An anthology of ancient Jain Texts on Ahimsa	Assignment by Bharatiya Jnanapith, Banaras.
21.	Jaina Ajivaka and other minor Systems.	Chapter XII of History of Bihar.	Assignment by the Jaiswal Research Institute, Patna.
22.	Jainism between 270 B. C. and 300 A. D.	Chapter, XXIV of History of Bihar.	,,

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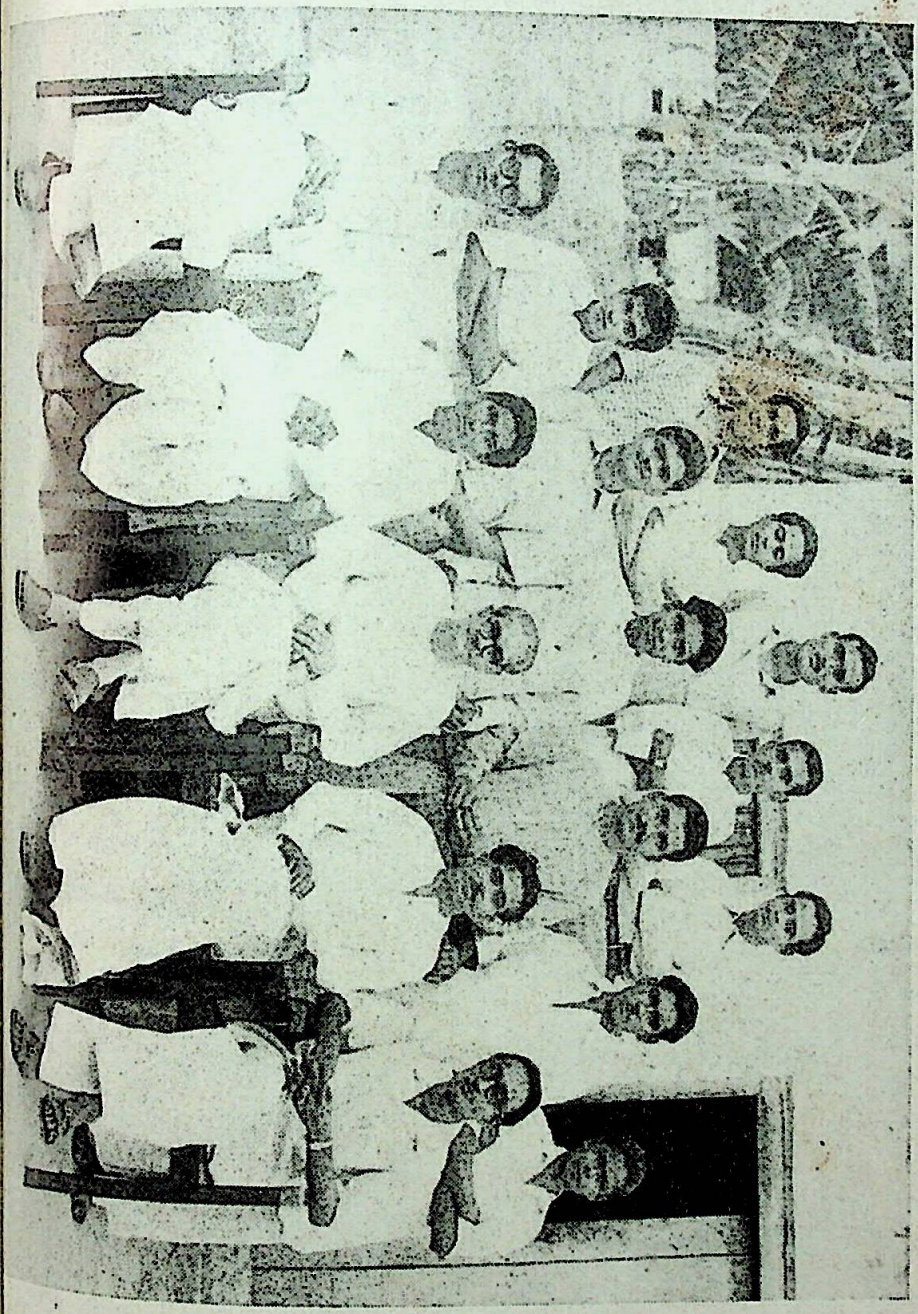

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Sl. no.	Title of the work	Publication	Remarks.
23.	Jainism between 550 and 1200 A. D.	Chapter XXXIV of History of Bihar,	Assignment by the K. P. Jaiswal Research Institute, Patna.
24.	Anthology of Sanskrit from Jaina literature.		Assignment by Central Government Sahitya Academy.
25.	History of Prakrit and Apabhramsa literature.	A brief history	Assignment by the U. P. Government Sahitya Academy.
26.	Contributions of Jainism to Indian Culture.	A series of four lectures.	Assignment by Madhya Pradesh Government Sahitya Parishad.

Statements of Accounts for 1955-1956

Primary unit of appropriation.	Amount allotted.	Amount spent.	Amount saved.	Remarks.
Pay of officers	6,800/-	3,450/-	3,350-0-0	(Government Order for the establishment of the Institute was issued on 25-11-1955 & the Director was appointed from 1-12-1955. Hence there was a good deal of saving in all items.)
Pay of establishment.	1,200/-	67-8-0	1,332-8-0	
T. A.	500/-	42-5-0	457-11-0	
C. L. A.	1,400/-	76-8-0	1,323-8-0	
House rent allowance.	400/-	300-0-0	100-0-0	
Visiting Professors	8,000/	Nil.	8,000-0-0	
Library	3,000/-	3,000/-	—	
Miscellaneous contingencies including 600/- for hospitalities to guest	1,5000/-	580-5-3	919-10-9	
Scholarships.	6,000/-	Nil.	6,000-0-0	
Publication.	3,000/-	Nil.	3 000-0-0	
Total	Rs. 31,800/	7,516-10-3	24,283-5-9	

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Out of the savings of Rs. 24,283-5-9 a sum of Rs. 22, 632-8-0 was re-appropriated as follows by G. O. No. 1450 dated 3-3-1956 & G. O. No. 1451 dated 3-3-1956.

Primary Unit of appropriation.	Sanctioned by reappropriation & their previous balance.	Total expenditure.	Balance	Remarks.
Library	17,600-0-0	17,359-7-0	240-9-0	Reappropriation by G. O. No. 1450 dt. 3.3.1956.
Office Furniture.	4,482-8-0	4,228-11-9	253-12-3	Reappropriation by G. O. No. 1451 dt. 3.3.1956.
T. A previous balance.	500-0-0 457-11-0	543-14-0	463-13-0	,,
Total	Rs. 23.090 3-0	22.132-0-9	958-2-3	

Out of the allotment of Rs. 8,000/- for Visiting Professors Rs. 6,450/- was reappropriated as follows by G. O. No. 992 dated 23 2.1957.

Primary Unit of Appropriation.	Amount alloted by reappropriation.	Amount spent.	Balance	Remarks.
T. A.	200-0-0	Nil.	200-0-0	Countersigned Bills were not received in time.
Furniture for Library.	3,650-0-0	3,441-6-9	208-9-3	Due to economy.
Furniture for Hostel.	915-0-0	915-0-0	Nil	
Library Books & periodicals	1,685-0-0	1,685-0-0	Nil	
Total	6,450-0-0	6,041-6-9	408-9-3	

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Statement of Account for 1956-57

Primary unit of appropriation. 1	Amount allotted. 2	Addl. allotment 3	Total amount. 4	Total amount spent 5	Amount Surrendered. 6	Remarks. 7
Pay of Officers.	20,400/-	—	20,400/-	17,122-4-0	3,277-12-0	Due to non-appointment of Professors.
Pay of Establishment	3,600/-	—	3,600/-	2,448.3.0	1,151.13.0	Due to late appointment of Staff.
Visiting Professor.	8,000/-	—	8,000/-	Nil		Rs. 8 000/- applied for re-appropriation.
Library.	3,000/-	—	3,000/-	3,000/-	Nil	
Misc. Contingencies.	1,500/-	—	1,500/-	1,500/-	—	
Scholarships.	6,000/-	—	6,000/-	420/-	5,580/-	No scholarships could be awarded as the sanction came late.
Publication.	3,000/-	—	3,000/-	Nil	3,000/-	As the Constitutional arrangement could not be made.
C. L. A.	4,200/-	—	4,200/-	1,760.15.0	2,439.1.0	Due to non-appointment of staff.
T. A.	500/-	550	1050/-	307.4.0	742.12.0	The amount remained unspent as the Bills could not be coutersigned in time.
House rent to Director	1,200/-	—	1,200	1,054.0.0	146.0 0	Due to economy.
House rent for Institution.	—	1440	1440	1,440.0.0	—	
Total.	51 400/-	1,990/	53,390/	29,052.10.0	16,337.6.0	

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Statement of Account for 1957-58

Primary unit of appropriation. 1	Amount allotted. 2	Addl. allotmendt. 3	Total Amount. 4	Total Amount spent 5	Amount surrendered. 6	Remarks. 7
Pay of officers	23973.00	—	23973.00	19807 26	4165.74	Due to non-appointment of Professors
Pay of Establishment.	3976.00	—	3976 00	3949.12	26.88	Owing to the leave granted without pay.
Allowance—C L. A.	4200.00	—	4200.00	2979 77	1220.23	Owing to non appointment of Professors.
T. A.	500.00	550 00	1050 00	706 56	343.44	Owing to economy.
Other allowances.	200 00	—	200.00	Nil	200 00	" "
Visiting Professors.	8000.00	—	8000 00	Nil	8000.00	" "
Library.	3000 00	—	3000 00	2999 76	00 24	Owing to casual saving
Scholarships.	6000 00	—	6,000 00	4045 00	1955.00	" "
Publication	3000 00	—	3000 00	Nil	3000.00	Owing to Departmental sanction.
Misc. Contingencies.	1.500.00	—	1500 00	1500.00	Nil	
House rent to Director.	1200.00	—	1200.00	1044.00	156.00	Owing to economy.
House rent for Institution.		1920 00	1920 00	1920.00	Nil	
House rent for Hostel.		1050.00	1050.00	1050 00	Nil	
Total.	55549 00	3520 00	59069 00	40001.47	19067.53	

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Statement of Account for 1958-59

Primary unit of appropriation.	Sanctioned Amount	Addl. allotment	Total	Total amount spent	Amount Surrendered.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pay of Officers.	28200.00	—	28200.00	20683.06	7516.94	Due to non-appointment of Professors.
Pay of Establishment	4500.00	—	4500,00	4118.48	381.52	The post of ward servant being sanctioned as contingent menial,
Allowances.						
C. L. A.	4900.00	—	4900.00	3196.43	1703.57	Due to non-appointment of Staff.
T. A.	500.00	—	500.00	16 00	484,00	Owing to economy
Other allowances	200.00	—	200.00	Nil	200.00	,, ,,
Contingencies non-contract, Library	2000.00	—	2000 00	1997.61	2.39	Casual saving
Scholarships.	3000.00	3120.00	6120 00	5875.00	245.00	The scholarships of final year being terminated before the Summer Vacation
Publication.	3000 00	—	3000-00	Nil	3000-00	Departmental sanction was not obtained
House rent to Director	1200-00	—	5200-00	1044-00	156-00	Owing to economy
Misc. contingencies	1000-00	1355-00	2355-00	2348-90	6-10	Casual saving
House rent to Institution		1920-00	1920-00	1920-00	Nil	
House rent for Hostel		1800-00	1800-00	1800-00	Nil	
Total.	48500 00	8,195.00	56,695.00	42999.48	13695.52	

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Statement of Accounts for 1959-60

Primary unit of Appropriation.	Amount Alloted.	Amount Spent.	Amount Surrendered.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5
Pay of Officers	27600.00	19600.00	8000.00	Due to non-appointment of Professors.
Pay of Establishment	4500.00	4335 98	164.02	Due to non-appointment of staff.
T. A.	500.00	47.69	452.31	Owing to economy.
C. L A.	4300.00	3044 29	1255.71	Due to non-appointment of staff.
Other Allowances	200.07	Nil	200.00	Owing to economy.
Library	2000.00	1999.97	00.03	Owing to casual saving.
Scholarships	6100.00	5665.00	435.00	The scholarships of final year being terminated before Summer Vacation
Publication	3000.00	Nil	3000.00	Owing to Departmental sanction
House to Director	6600.00	5894.40	705.96	Owing to economy in the Hous rent.
Miscellaneous contingencies.	2000.00	1999.74	00-26 nP.	Owing to casual saving.
Furniture	1287.00	1252.20	34.80	Economy.
Total	Rs. 58087.00	43838.91	14548.09	

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Members of General Council of the Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur appointed by Government of Bihar by Notification No. I/P13-01/59E 2519 dated 12-7-1960 as per Constitution VII (3).

I Ex-officio Members [I—XVIII as per constitution VII (3) CI]

(XIX-XXIII) II Other-members nominated by Government (Five Emicent Scholars of Prakrit & Jainology.

(xix) Dr. A. N. Upadhya, Head of the Deptt. of Prakrit, Rajaram College, Kolhapur. Member.

(xx) Pt. Kailash Chandra, Digamber Jain Syadvad Vidyalaya, Varanasi. Do

(xxi) Dr. Motichand, Director, Prince of Wales Museum, Bombay. Do

(xxii) Dr. Sukumar Sen Khaira, Prof. Linguistics, Calcutta University, Calcutta. Do

)xxiii) Mahamohopadhya Dr. Umesh Mishra, Allahabad University, Allahabad. Do

(XXIV-XXXII)—Nine Non-Official Members nominated by Government.

(xxiv) Shri S. P. Jain, 9, Alipore Park Place, Calcutta. Life Member

(xxv) Shri Nemi Chand Jain Secretary, Sahu Jain Trust. Member

(xxvi) Shri Lakshmi Chandra Jain, 9 Alipore Park Place, Calcutta. Do

(xxvii) Shri Harendra Singh, Calcutta. Do

(xxviii) Shri Lalitcshwar Pd. Sahi, Dy Minister for Industries & Information, Bihar Patna. Do

(xxx) Pt. Uma Nath Jha, Sarasaupadi, Darbhanga. Do

(xxxi) Sri Ramdhari Singh Dinkar, M. P. Patna. Do

(xxxii) Prof. Jagnnath Pd. Mishra, M. L. C. Bihar Vidhan Parishad, Patna. Do

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Head of the Philosophy or Sanskrit Department of the Patna University.

(xxxiii) Shri Chandra Kant Pandey, Head of the Sanskrit Deptt. of the Patna University—Patna—5 — Member.

A representative of the Vaishali Sangh.

(xxxvi) Dr. Yogendra Mishra, Prof. of History, Patna University. — Do

A representative of the Jain Tirthakshetra Committee of Bihar.

(xxxv) Shri Pushpa Dant Jain, Daulatganj, Chapra. — Do

Professor of Jainism, Oriental College, Varanasi.

(xxxvi) Shri Darbari Lal, Kothia Lect, in Jaina Phil, Sanskrit Mahavidyalay. B. H. U. — Member.

One member of the staff of the Institute appointed by rotation.

(xxxvii) Dr. Gulab Chandra Choudhary, Prof. Ptakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Prakrit Jain Institute, Muzaffarpur. — Do

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Members of the Executive Committee of the Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur appointed by Government of Bihar by Notification No. 2823 dated 13.7.1960 as per Constitution VII (13).

Ex-Officio members.

(1) Commissioner, Tirhut Division, Muzaffarpur. — President
(2) District Magistrate, Muzaffarpur. — Member
(3) Principal, L. S. College, Muzaffarpur. — Do
(4) Dr. K. K. Dutta, Director, K. P. Jayaswal Institute, Patna. — Do
(5) Director, Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur. — Do

Non-Official members

(6) Shri Ramdhari Singh Dinkar, M. P. — Do
(7) Pandit Uma Nath Jha—Principal, Sarisaupahi Darbhanga. — Do
(8) Shri Indra Chand Suchanti Vakil Biharshariff. — Do
(9) Shri Chakreshwar Kumar Jain. — Do

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Nominee of the Sahu Jain Trust.

(10) Shri Lakshmi Chand Jain, Calcutta. Member.

(11) Shri Nemichand Jain, Secretary, Sahu Jain Trust. Do

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Members of the Publication Committee appointed by the General Council on 18-11-1960 as per Constitution V (4) & VII (16).

(i) Ex-Officio

(1) Minister of Education—Bihar. Chairman.

(2) Director of the Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur. Secretary.

(3) A Professor of the Institute. Member

(ii) Nominated members by the General Council.

(4) Dr. A. N. Upadhye, M. A., D. Litt., 5, Raja Rampuri, Kolhapur. Member.

(5) Shri Dalsukh Malvinya, Director, L. D. Bhartiya Sanskritya Vidya Mandir, Pankornaka, Ahmedabad—1. Do

(6) Shri Lakshmi Chandra Jain, Secretary, Bhartiya Jnanpith, 9. Alipore Park Place, Calcutta—27 Do

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Minutes of the First Meeting of the General Council of the Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur, held on Friday the 18th November, 1967 at 4.30 P. M. at Raj Bhavan, Patna, under the Presidentship of Dr. Zakir Husain, Governor, Bihar.

The following members were present.

1. Kumar Ganga Nand Singh, Education Minister, Bihar.
2. Shri Krishna Kant Singh, Dy. Minister for Education, Bihar.
3. Shri K. K. Banerjee, Vice-Chancellor, Bihar University, Muzaffarpur.
4. Shri B. N. Rai, Vice-Chancellor, Patna University, Patna.
5. Shri Bishundeo Narain Singh, Vice-Chancellor, Ranchi University, Ranchi.

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6 Shri M. B. Mukerjee, Commissioner of the Tirhut Division & President of the Executive Committee, Muz.
7. Shri Saran Singh, Education Secretary to the Govt. of Bihar.
8. Shri K. Ahmad, Director of Public Instruction, Education Department, Patna.
9. Shri Janardan Mishra, Director, Mithila Sanskrit Research Institute, Darbhanga.
10. Dr. S. K. Mukerjee, Director, Pali Institute, Nalanda.
11. Shri K. K. Dutta, Director, K. P. Jayaswal Research Institute, Patna.
12. Shri B. P. Singh, Head of the Department of Ancient Indian History & Archaeology, Patna University, Patna-5
13. Dr A. N. Upadhye, Head of the Deptt. of Prakrit, Rajaram College, Kolhapur, Deccan.
14. Pt. Kailash Chandraji, Digambar Jain Syadvad Vidyalaya, Varanasi.
15. Dr. Sukumar Sen Khaira, Prof. Linguistics, Calcutta University.
16. Shri Nemi Chandra Jain, 9, Alipore Park Place, Calcutta—27.
17. Shri Lakshmi Chandra Jain. ,, ,,
18. Shri Narendra Singh Singhi, Calcutta.
19. Shri L. P. Sahi, Dy. Minister for Industries & Information, Bihar, Patna.
20. Shri Harakh Chand Jain, Ranchi.
21. Pt. Uma Nath Jha, Principal, M. L. B. College, Sarisabpahi, Darbhanga.
22. Prof. Jagnnath Prasad Mishra, M. L. C., Bihar Vidhan Parishad, Raj Tank, Laheriasarai, Darbhanga.
23. Shri Chandra Kant Pandey, Head of the Sanskrit Department, Patna University, Patna—5.
24. Dr. Yogendra Mishra, Professor of History, Patna University, Patna.
25. Shri Pushpa Dant Jain, Daulatganj, Chhapra.
26. Shri Vimal Das Kandiya, Philosophy Department, Banaras Hindu University Banaras.

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27. Dr. Gulab Chandra Choudhary, Professor of Prakrit, Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Muz.
28. Dr. H. L. Jain, Director, Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology and Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur.

Shri Dwarka Singh, Director, Rural Institute, Birauli, Darbhanga, sent apology for absence.

The members were individually introduced to to Governor

Preliminary speech by the Director.

In an introductory speech the Director of the Institute Dr. H. L. Jain, welcomed the members to the first meeting of the General Council which was so much delayed on account of some difficulties experienced in completing its memberships. He congratulated the Bihar Government for their Resolution to establish the Institute and recalled the valuable services of the Governor Shri R. R. Diwakar & the Education Secretary Shri J. C. Mathur in bringing about the decision. He also drew attention to the efforts of the present Governor and President of the Council as well as the authorities of the Education Department in solving many difficulties and developing the Institute to the present stature. He also made a brief reference to the achievements of the Institute and the important work which remained to be done for which the most serious attention and co-operation of the supreme Governing body of the Institute was needed. He then requested the Governor to guide the deliberations of the Council.

The following business was transacted.

(1) Noted the following:—

(i) Government Resolution No. 5314 dated 25-11-1955 on the subject of the establishment of the Institute /

(ii) Constitution of the Institute as approved by G. O. No. 5466 dated 9-10-1956 and amended by G. O. No. 2797 dated 11-7-1960 & No. 2981 dated 28-7-60.

(iii) Messages received and speeches delivered at the Foundation Ceremony performed by the President of the Union Dr. Rajendra Prasad at Vaishali on 23-4-56 as well as opinions of distinguished visitors and eminent persons on the subsequent progress of the Institute.

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Setting of the Institute on permanent basis.

(2) On the attention of the House being drawn to the first Government Resolution according to which the present term of five years of the Institute was due to expire on the 24th November, 1960, the Education Secretary, Shri Saran Singh, informed the house that Government had already taken the decision to set the Institute on a permanent basis and that the order to that effect was under issue. The information was received by the house with satisfaction.

Consolidated Report for five years.

(3) Adopted the consolidated report for five years from 1955-56 to 1959-60.

Emphasis on the knowledge of English.

(4) With reference to the teaching of English to Oriental Scholars for the B. A. Special English Examination as well as the training of the M. A. and Research Scholars, the President Dr. Zakir Husain emphasised the necessity of introducing improved and effective methods of teaching English in order to ensure a sound workable knowledge of the language in a shorter period of time than is usually taken and stressed the need of such knowledge as a very usefull, almost essential tool in higher studies and research.

Publication of Quincuenial Progress Report.

(5) Resolved that the documents mentioned under item No. 1 above together with such photos, pictures and other material as are connected with the establishment and progress of the Institute may be printed & published in a suitable form.

Procedure for presentation of Accounts.

(6) Considered the audited accounts for the years 1955-56, 1956-57, 1957-58 & 1958-59.

Resolved that as a rule, the auditors' reports should first be placed before the Executive Committee and then before the General Council with the Committee's remarks.

(7) Noted the minutes of the meetings of the Executive Committee held on 4-1 1957 and 2-9-1958.

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Number and Value of Scholarship.

(8) Dr. K. K. Dutta, Director, K. P. Jayaswal Research Institute Patna, proposed that the value of each M. A. scholarship should be Rs. 60/=per month and that of Research scholarship Rs. 200/=per month as in the Patna University.

Resolved that as recommended by the Executive Committee at the first meeting on 4-1-1957 (Minute No. 2) and reapproved at their second meeting on 2-9-1958 (Minute No. 2) the number of scholarships should be raised from 1 to 3 for Research scholars, and from 3 to 5 for M. A students, and that the value of each M. A. scholarship be enhanced from R. 35/= to Rs. 60/= p. m.

(ii) The house noted with satisfaction the information given by the Education Secretary that the provision has been made in the Third Five Year Plan to permit a substantial development of the Institute and it should be possible to effect improvement in the number and value of the scholarships.

Long term Research Projects.

(9) Resolved that the long term Research Projects drawn by the Director of the Institute should first be considered by the Publication Committee and then brought up before the General Council.

The Education Secretary pointed out that it might be possible for the state Government to ask for aid from the Central Government to execute specially selected research projects.

(10) Resolved that the Director of the Institute be authorised to start a Publication series in which such works as are selected by the Publication Committee may be included. The necessary expenditure for this purpose may be met from the Annual Allotments.

(11) Professor Yogendra Mishra, proposed that important works produced by scholars who do not belong to the Institute may also be Published by the Institute.

Resolved that normally the publications should be confined to works produceed by the teachers and the students of

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the Institute itslef, but the publication committee may also select works by other authors and editors, if they are specially important from the point of view of the subjects of study assigned to this Institute.

Publication Committee.

(12) Resolved to constitute the Publication Committee in accordance with the Constitution V (4) & VII (16) as follows.

(i) Ex-Officio

1. Minister of Education, Bihar — Chairman.
2. Director of the Institute — Secretory.
3. A Professor of the Institute — Member.

(11) Nominated by the General-Council.

4. Dr. A. N. Upadhye, M. A., D. Litt., V Rajarampuri, Kolhapur — Member
5. Shri Dalsukha Malvaniya, Director, L. D. Bharatiya Sanskriti Vidya Mandir, Ahmedabad—1 — do
6. Shri Lakshmi Chandra Jain, Secretary, Bhartiya Jnanpith, Sahu Jain Nilaya, Calcutta—27.

Acuqisition of land at Vaishali.

(13) Noted the registered deeds of voluntary donations of land at Vaishali and the correspondence between the Director and the land Acquisition authorities on the subject of acquiring further land so as to reach the target of fifty acres of land as per letter No. 6498 dated 8-12-1956 from the Education Department to the Director of the Institute.

Resolved that the necessary steps as suggested by the Land Acquisition Officer, Muzaffarpur, in his Memo No. 1176 dated 11-7-1958 be taken to acquire the land.

Institute Buildings at Vaishali.

(14) Considered the present position regarding the proposed building at Vaishali for the Institute.

Shri Nemichandra Jain, representing the Sahu Jain Trust, informed the house that the working drawings of the main

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building were getting ready, that the estimates etc. were under preparation and that the actual building operations were intended to be started in January, 1961.

Shri L. P. Sahi, Dy. Minister for Industries & Information expressed a desire to expedite the work as much as possible, pointing out the laying and burning of bricks and collection of cement, iron and other materials at the site might be strated earlier.

Shri Nemichandra Jain assured that the proposal will be considered by the Sahu Jain Trust.

Powers of the Executive Committee.

(15) Considered the question of vesting of powers in and delegation of powers to the Executive Committee as per Constitution VII (14).

Resolved that the Executive Committee might itself suggest what powers it will like to be vested with or delegated to it so as to discharge its duties efficiently according to Constitution.

Rules of procedure.

(16) Resolved that the Executive Committee might suggest the rules of procedure as per Constitution VIII (4) and the draft might be placed before that Generl Council at the next meeting.

With a vote of thanks the meeting terminated.

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Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held on 4-1-1957, at 4 P. M. at the Commissioner's Residence, Muzaffarpur.

The first meeting of the Executive Committee was held on 4th January, 1957, at 4 P. M. at the Commissioner's Residence. The following members were present.

1. Shri S. J. Majumdar, Commissioner. Tirhut Division-Chairman.
2. Shri C. N. Sinha, Principal, Rural Institute, Turki-Member
3. Dr. A. S. Altekar, Hon. Director K. P. Jayaswal Research Institute, Patna. Do

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4. Shri Laliteshwar Pd. Sahi, M. L. A. Member
5. Dr. H. L. Jain, Director Prakrit Jain Institute, Muzaffarpur. Secretary.

The other two members Shri S. C. Roy, District Magistrate, Muzaffarpur and Shri R. N. Sharma, Head of the Department of Sanskrit, L. S. College Muzaffarpur could not attend the meeting.

The Agenda of the meeting as circulated to the members along with the notice of the meeting was as follows :—

1. Progress Report.
2. Award of Scholarships.
3. Scheme of Publication.
4. Necessity of a Hostel.
5. Admission of Oriental scholars and appointment of a teacher in English for them.
6. Buildings at Vaishali and acquisition of sufficient lands for the same.
7. Any other matter with the permission of the Chairman.

1. The Secretary read the progress Report for 1955-56 and for 1956-57 up to date explained the various points arising out of the same.

It was resolved that a bulletin including the progress report, account of the foundation ceremony, the Constitutions, University regulations, concerning the Institute the courses of study should be published.

2. The Director of the Institute reported that one Research Scholarship of the value of Rs. 150/- per month and one stipend of the value of Rs. 35/- per month had been sanctioned.

The Committee considered that in view of the fact that there were three distinct subjects for research work in the Institute namely (1) Prakrit language and Literature (2) Jainology and (3) Ahimsa, there should be atleast three scholarships for research. As for M. A. in view of the fact that there were 14 students on the rolls and that the study had to be specially encouraged at the initial stage of the Institute, the number of stipends should be atleast five.

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(b) Dr. Altekar pointed out that the amount of stipend of Rs. 35/- p. m. for M. A. was quite inadequate. The Patna University was awarding scholarships of Rs. 60/- p. m. for M. A. and this was a suitable amount of stipends for M. A. in an Institute of specialised study like this.

The Committee accepted the view and resolved to recommend the same to the Department for sanction.

3. The Director reported that there was provision in the budget for publication and there was suitable research work ready for the purpose. But arrangements for printing could not be taken in hand because the publication Committee has not yet been appointed by the General Council as provided in the Constitution of the Institute.

It was resolved that pending the appointment of the Publication Committee the Director be authorised to proceed with the arrangements for Publication of work within the budget provision for the current year.

4. The Committee realized the urgent need of a hostel for the lodging and boarding arrangements of the students of the Institute. It was resolved that a suitable house providing accomodation for about 20 students should be taken on rent and the department should sanction a rent of Rs. 150/- per month for the same.

5. The Committee noted the amendments made by the Bihar University in its regulations providing for the inclusion of Prakrits as one of the subjects of study and affording facilities for the admission of Oriental scholars to the M. A. examination if they pass a special examination in English. There were already 5 applications from Shastries and Acharyas for Admission to those privileges. It was resolved that such candidates should be admitted and the Deptt. should be moved to sanction a post of a teacher of English in Cl. II of the B. E. S. for the purpose.

6. (a) The Committee noted that the Deptt. had forwarded to the P. M. D. the requirements of buildings at Vaishali as suggested by the Director of the Institute and the Government Architect was requested to send the drawings of the

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proposed buildings accordingly. They also considered the D. O. No. 1/J2-013/56E-6498 dated 8-12-56, from the Deputy Secretary asking for information about the lands obtained by free gift and the necessary steps for securing more land in one block so as to reach a target of at least 50 acres for the Institute.

(b) The Commissioner informed the meeting that he had issued instructions to collect the required information and forward the same to the Director of the Institute. He also asked the Director to contact the D. C. in that connection.

(c) The Committee resolved that estimates for securing land by donation or purchase so as to reach the target of 50 acres should be obtained, Shri Laliteshwar Sahi was specially requested to move in the matter.

The Committee noted with satisfaction that under instructions from Shri Shanti Pd. Jain, the donor, Mr. Benjamin Polk, representative of Stein and Polk, Architects, New Delhi, had already visited the site of the Institute at Basukund and that Shri Shanti Pd. Jain was keen to have the plan of the buildings finalised so as to be able to start the construction work.

(d) The Committee further resolved that with a view to expedite the construction work Shri Shanti Pd. Jain, be requested to arrange for starting the work of burning of bricks, and collection of Cement, iron, steel and other necessary materials at the site of the Institute at Basukund as early as possible.

With a vote of thanks to the Chair the meeting terminated.

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 2-9-1958 at 5.0. P. M. at the Commissioner's Residence, Muzaffarpur.

The Second meeting of the Executive Committee of the Institute of Post-Graduate Studies and Research in Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa (Prakrit Jain Institute), Muzaffarpur was held on 2nd September, 1958 at 5. 0. P. M. at the Residence

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of the Commissioner, Tirhut Division and Chairman of the Executive Committee. The following members were present:—

1. Shri H. P. Kantha, Commissioner, Tirhut Division, Muzaffarpur. Chairman.
2. Shri S. N. Sharma, District Magistrate, Muzaffarpur. Member.
3. Shri R. N. Sharma, Head of the Department of Sanskrit, L. S. College, Muzaffarpur. Do
4. Dr. A. S. Altekar, Hony. Director, K. P. Jayaswal Research Institute, Patna. Do
5. Dr. H. L. Jain, Director, Prakrit Jain Institute, Muzaffarpur. Secretary.

The other two members Shri C. P. Sinha, Principal, Rural Institute, Turki and Shri Laliteshwar Prasad Shahi, Dy. Minister, Patna could not attend the meeting.

The Agenda for the meeting circulated earlier was as follows :—

1. Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous meeting.
2. Progress Report for the year 1957-58.
3. Award of Scholarships.
4. Scheme of Publication.
5. Buildings at Vaishali.
6. Appointment of Teaching Staff.
7. Any other matter with the permission of the Chairman

The following business was transacted :—

1. The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed.

2. As a matter arising out of the minutes, Dr. A. S. Altekar desired to know the action that may have been taken regarding item no. 2 (b) of the minutes of the previous meeting, viz. the recommendation of the Executive Committee to raise the amount of the Stipends for M. A. from Rs. 35/- to Rs. 60/- per month each. Dr. Jain explained that the recommendation was forwarded to the Department (Vide Memo No. PJI/306/57 dated 22-1-1957), but no action by the Department has become known to us so far.

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The Committee resolved to re-affirm the previous resolution considering the matter to be very important in view of the fact that the amount of the scholarship as at present is very inadequate for the purpose. It was further resolved that the Department be requested to pay its attention to the subject.

3. Progress Reports for the Year 1956-57 & 1957-58 were noted.

4. Considered the Budget allotments for the current year. The Director pointed out that the amounts provided were inadequate to meet the requirements of the sanctioned scholarships. It was also pointed out that no money had been provided for the payment of rent of the buildings of the office and the Hostel.

It was resolved that the Government be requested to include the necessary amounts in their additional allotments for the current year.

5. The Director pointed out that the Hostel Ward servant's post had not yet been sanctioned and no allotment for his pay had yet been made.

Resolved that Govt. be requested to sanction the post and make allotment of funds for his pay with effect from 1st August, 1957 from which date the Ward servant was appointed.

6. It was noted with regret that the General Council of the Institute was not yet fully constituted owing to absence of nomination of members by the Government and consequently the progress of work was held up. In particular, the Publication work could not be started for want of appointment of the Publication Committee by the General Council.

Resolved that the Govt. be requested to expedite the nomination of members of the General Council. Pending action in this matter, the Director of the Institute be authorised to proceed with publication work according to his scheme and spend money on the same within the allotted amount.

7. The committee noted with satisfaction that the plan of buildings at Vaishali had been forwarded to the Donor,

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Shri Shanti Prasad Jain and quotas of Cement & Steel had also been forwarded to him

Resolved that Shri Shanti Prasad Jain be requested to start the building operations on the donated plots of land at Vaishali as early possible.

8. Considered the question of acquiring further lands at Vaishali (Basukund), so as to achieve the target of 50 acres of land for the Institute.

Resolved that the Collector, Muzaffarpur, be requested to get survey map prepared, showing the lands already acquired and the land contiguous with it, which may be acquired. The Offg. Collector, Mr. S. N. Sharma, who was present promised to do the needful in the matter.

9. The Director pointed out that Government Orders (Vide Memo No. 2394 dated 12-7-1958) had been received on the subject of appointment of Shri Lalit Kumar Singh Mowar as lecturer in English, but that the appointee had not yet joined the post.

Resolved that the Director should write to the person appointed to know his intention in the matter and then report to the Government for further action.

10. The Director brought to the notice of the Committee Government Orders (Vide Memo No. 2811 dated 8-8-1958) on the subject of the transfer of Dr. Nathmal Tatia, Professor, from this Institute to Nalanda Institute and the appointment of Dr. J. C. Jain as Professor here. He also placed before the Committee the D. O. letter (D. O. No. PJI/509/58 dated 22-8-1958) addressed to Shri K. Abraham, Education Secretary to Government of Bihar, Patna, suggesting—(i) Retention of Dr. Nathmal Tatia appending arrival of Dr. J. C. Jain, (ii) Retention of Dr. N. Tatia permanently here against the sanctioned Class II post and (iii) Conversion of the Class II post into Class I.

The Committee approved of the action taken by the Director and resolved to support the measures suggested by the Director in the best interest of the Institution.

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11. The Committee noted with satisfaction the appreciative remarks made by the Governor of Bihar after visits paid to the Institute (Vide letters' from Shri R. R. Diwakar, Governor of Bihar dated 5-5-1957 and from Dr. Zakir Husain, Governor of Bihar, dated 4-1-1958).

12. It was brought to the notice of the Committee that the Rural Institute, Turki, had been shifted from Turki to Birauli (Dist. Darbhanga).

The Committee resolved that this should be brought to the notice of Government and a clarification should be sought as to whether the membership of Executive Committee goes to the Principal, Rural Institute, Birauli, (Dist. Darbhanga) or the Principal, Basic Teachers Training College, Turki.

With a vote of thanks to the Chair, the meeting terminated.

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Members of the Sub-committee appointed by the Academic Council of the Bihar University (Letter No. B/12261-67 dated 20-4-1956) to draft the first Courses for the B. A. and M. A. Examinations in Prakrit & Jainology.

(1) Dr. H. L. Jain, M. A., LL. B., D. Litt., Director, Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur.
(3) Dr. P. L. Vaidya, Director of Mithila Sanskrit Research Institute, Darbhanga.
(3) Dr. Nathmal Tatia, Professor, Nalanda, Institute, Nalanda.
(4) Shri Dalsukh Malvaniya, Professor of Jainism, Banaras Hindu University, Banaras.
(5) Dr. T. P. Choudhary, Head of the Deptt. of Sanskrit, Patna College, Patna.
(6) Prof. Virendra Shrivastava, L. S. College, Muzaffarpur
(7) Prof. R. N. Sharma, L. S. College, Muzaffarpur.

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Members of the Board of Courses and Studies in Prakrit and Jainology elected by the Faculty of Arts of the Bihar University on 21-6-1957.

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(1) Dr. H. L. Jain, M. A., LL. B., D. Litt, Director, Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur.

(2) Shri Krishna Dutta Jha, M. A., Deptt. of Sanskrit. Saharasa College, Saharsa.

(3) Dr. Nathmal Tatia, Professor, Research Institute of Prakrit, Jainology & Ahimsa, Muzaffarpur.

(4) Dr. P. L. Vaidya, Director, Mithila Research Institute, Darbhanga.

(5) Shri S. M. Mukhopadhyaya, Training College, Banaras Hindu University, Banaras.

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Teaching staff of the Institute.

Director—Dr. H. L. Jain, M. A.; LL. B, D. Litt., (from 1-12-1955).

Professor in class I B. E. S.	Dr. Nathmal Tatia, M. A., D. Litt. (from 1-8-1957 to 3-10-1957).
Do	Dr. Jagadish Chandra Jain, M A., Ph. D. (from 3-10 58 to 14-11-1959).
Do	Dr. Gulab Chandra Choudhary, M. A., Ph. D. (from 1-9-1960)
Professor in class II B. E. S.	Dr N. Tatia. M. A, D. Litt. (from 6-8-1956 to 31-7-1958). (Vacant from 1-8-1957)
Lecturer in class II B. E. S.	Shri Ram Prakash Poddar, M. A. (from 21-3-1960).
Do	Shri Vimal Prakash Jain, M. A. (Pali), M.A. (Prakrit & Jainology) (From 16-11-1959 to 16-5-1960 & 18-7-60 to 01-8-1960).

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Establishme Ministerial

1. Shri Raja Ram Jain, M. A., Librarian (from 15-8-1956).
2. Shri Satyadeo Jha, Clerk-cum-Acott. (from 14-4-1956).
3. Shri Brajendra Jha, Steno-typist (from 6-9-1956).

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Menial

1. Jainarain Rai, Orderly Peon (from 1-12-1955)
2. Ramjiwan Mahto, Chaukidar (from 1-8-1956)
3. Raghubir Prasad, Office Peon (from 1-12-1956)
4. Sher Bahadur, Peon (from 1-12-1959)

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List of Research Scholars admitted to the Institute and registered for the Ph. D. Degree of the Bihar University.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Sl. no.	Name of Scholar	No. & date of registration.	Subject of thesis	Name supervisor.	Remarks
1.	Yogendra Chandra Sikdar, M. A.	13-12-1958 Vide letter no. A/6154 dt. 6-2-1959	Studies in Bhagavati Sutra.	Dr. H. L. Jain, M. A, LL. B., D. Litt.	Submitted for Exam. on 10-11-60. to B. U.
2.	K. R. Chandra, M. A.	30-4-1959 Vide letter no. A/25287 dt 19-8-1959	A critical study of Pauma-Cariyam.	Do	Thesis progressing.
3.	P. K. Mo.li, M. A., LL. B.		A critical study of the life & teaching of Parshwanath.	Dr. J C. Jain, M. A., Ph. D.	"
4.	D. B. Pathan, M. A.	30-4 1959 Vide letter no. A/20290 dt. 19-8-1960.	A critical study of Pushpadanta's works in Apabhramsa.	Dr. H. L. Jain	"

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Sl. no.	Name of Scholar	No. & date of registration.	Subject of thesis	Name supervisor.	Remarks
5.	Y. N. Sharma, M. A.	30-4-1959	Dialect & Folklore of Vaishali & surrounding Region	Dr. J. C. Jain	"
6.	V. P. Jain, M. A.		A critical study of the life of Jambuswami	Dr. H. L. Jain	"
7.	Raja Ram Jain, M. A.	6-8-59 Vide letter no. B/34013 dt. 9-11-59	A critical study of Rayadhu's work in Apabhramsa	Do	"
8.	Sarad Kumar Motichand Saha, M. A.	12-5-1961 Vide letter no. C/20874 dt. 27-6-1961	A critical & comparative study of the Philosophy of Kundakunda	Do	"
9.	Sidheshwar Sinha, M. A.	12-5-1960 Vide letter no. C/20891 dt. 28-6-1961	The Cult of Ahimsa in Hindu Shastras.	Do	"

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(i) SCHOLARSHIP HOLDERS

Ph. D.

1.	2	3	4
Sl. no.	Name of Scholar	Amount of scholarship Rs. per month.	Period of award
1.	Yogendra Chandra Sikdar, M, A.	Rs. 150/= p. m.	1-3-57 to 31-8-1959
2,	K. R. Chandra, M. A.	Rs. 150/= p. m.	1-9 57 to 31-8-1960
3.	D. B. Pathan, M. A.	Rs. 150/= p. m.	1-9-59 to Aug. 61
4.	Y. N. Sharma, M. A.	Rs. 150/= p. m.	1-9-60 to Aug. 61

(ii) SCHOLARSHIP HOLDERS

M. A.

1.	Vimal Prakash Jain	Rs. 35/= p. m.	1-9-56 to 30-6-58
2.	Kishore Kesari Jna	,,	1-9-56 to 28-2-58
3.	Y. N Sharma	,,	1-8-57 to 30-6-58
4.	S. M. Saha	,,	1-8-57 to 31-5-59
5.	Bishnudeo Roy	,,	1-8-37 to 21-2-59
6.	Nagina Prasad Sinha	,,	1-1-58 to 31 5-58
7.	Rajnarain Rai	,,	1-8-58 to 31-5-60
8.	Jageshwar Ojha	,,	1-8-58 to 31-5-60
9.	Shyam Kishore Kapoor	,,	1-8-58 to 31-5-60
10.	Kailash Prasad Sinha	,,	1-1-59 to 31-5-61
11.	Brajkishore Prasad	,,	1-8-59 to 30-11-59 Gave up his studies & refunded the amount
12.	Deep Narain Sinha	,,	1-8-59 to 31:5-61
13.	Madan Mohan Verma	,,	1-12-59 to 31-7-60
14.	Kumar Anirudh Narain Sinha	,,	1-8-60 to 30 6-61
15.	Kameshwar Giri	,,	1-8-60 to 30 6-61
16.	Jyoti Narain Mishra	,,	1-8-60 to 30-6-61
17,	Ramdeo Sharma	,,	1-8-60 to 31-5-61

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List of students who passed the M. A. Examination of the Bihar University in the subject of **Prakrit & Jainology** from this Institute, in the order of merit.

1958

Sl. No.	Name of students	Division
1.	Vimal Prakash Jain	I
2.	Shri Bandhu Choudhary	I
3.	Raja Ram Jain	I
4.	Yogendra Narain Sharma	I

1959

1.	Nemi Chandra Jain	I
2.	Sarad Kumar Motichand Saha	I
3.	Devi Dutta Sharma	I
4.	Mahendra Rai	I
5.	Nagina Prasad Sinha	II
6.	Suresh Tripathi	II
7.	Vidhata Mishra	II

1960

1.	Raj Narain Rai	I
2.	Jageshwar Ojha	I
3.	Shyam Kishore Kapoor	II
4.	Prabhu Narain Sharma	II
5.	Bishnudeo Roy	II

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List of students who passed the B A Special English Examination of the Bihar University from this Institute.

1957

Sl No.	Name of students
1,	Devi Dutta Sharma
2,	Suresh Tripathi

1958

1,	Prabhu Narain Sharma

1959

1,	Deva Narain Sharma
2,	Nilambar Pathak
3,	Kamdeo Sharma

1960

1,	Goshwami Surendra Giri
2,	Chhagaulal Shastri
3,	Surya Deo Pandey

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Deeds of donation in favour of Rajyapal, Bihar, registered on 19.3.1956 at Paru. District—Muzaffarpur (Bihar).

Sl. No.	Register No.	Name of Donors.	Area of land in Katthas	Estimated value in Rupees	Govt Revenue.	Village	Khesra No.
1.	2224	Mahendra Sinha, S/o Ram Lakhan Sinha	15-0	750/-	1-14 0	Basukund	1
2.	2225	Mahavir Paswan S/o Kunkun Paswan	18-5	900/-	2-4-0	„	1
3.	2226	Dahaur Paswan S/o Nirsu Paswan	10-0	500/-	1-4-0	„	1
4.	2227	Yakubmian, S/o Darsu Mian	5-0	250/-	0-10-0	Abuchhak	268
5.	2228	Bijli Singh, S/o Ramauter Singh	3-17	200,-	0-8-0	Basukund	35
6.	2229	do	22-12	1,100/-	2-14-0	„	1
7.	2230	Kesonarain Singh S/o Dhudi Singh	64-73	3,250/-	8-0-0	Eatehpur	65
8.	2231	Kali Sah, S/o Shindhari Shah	62-0	3,000/-	7-12-0	Abuchhak	592 593 323.332 333
9.	2232	Khilawan Singh, S/o Acchhewa Singh	48-0	2,400/-	6-0-0	Basukund	1
10.	2233	Musa Roy, Janak Rai, Mahavira Roy	59-9	3,000/-	7-8-0	Abuchhak	143,207 208
11.	2234	Shanti Singh, S/o Baburam Singh	10-0	500/-	0-1-3	Basukund	86,228 88
12.	2235	Khilawan Singh S/o Mahendra Singh	5-0	250/-	0-10-0	do	85,88 92
13.	2236	Mahavira Singh S/o Kumar Singh	10 0	500/-	1-4-0	do	82,87, 88
14.	2237	Nathuni Singh, S/o Trilok Singh	8 0	500/-	1-0 0	Ibrahimpur	232 & 84
			341-16	17,100/-	41-0-3		

Total Land 17 (Seventeen) Bighas 1 (one) Kattha & 16 Dhur.

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राष्ट्रपति डा० राजेन्द्र प्रसाद जी वैशाली में श्री महावीर स्मारक की अनावरण विधि करते हुए।
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(शिला-लेख)

श्री महावीर-स्मारक

णमो जिणस्य भगवदो महावीरस्स

सिद्धत्थराय-तिसलादेवी-तणए ही वड्ढमाण-जिणे ।
कुंडपुरंसि विदेहे चित-सिया-तेरसीए उप्पण्णे ॥१॥
इध जादे भगवं सइं अरिहा वेसालिए महावीरे ।
इध तीसं वासाइं संकंताइं कुमार—कालस्स ॥२॥
एत्तो हि से विरत्ते पव्वज्ज-संजगाम णाधवणे ।
सच्च-अहिंसा-धम्मं दिदेश लोगंसि बहुकालं ॥३॥
पव्वज्जा-कालंसि वि वासावासं दुवालस तहेव ।
वेसालिं वाणिज्जग्गामं नीसाए उवगए भगवं ॥४॥
तत्तो एस पदेसो अहल्ल इदि पूजिदो पयत्तेणं ।
जग्मदिणे भूवइणा दिण्णो रज्जस्स वीर-सरणत्थं ॥५॥
तज्जम्मदो हि पण-पण-पण-वे वासेसु संविदीदेसु ।
विक्कम-गणनाए उण वि-एग-खग-वे सुवास-विच्छेदे ॥६॥
इध आयादे भारह-रट्ठवई सइं सुरज्ज-विधि-विण्णे ।
सिरि राजिदपसादे पसाद-गुण-संजुदे धीरे ॥७॥
तेण सुविहि-पुव्वं इध संठविदं वीर-सारगं पुण्णं ।
जावच्चंददिवायर होदु थिरं वड्ढमाण-संसरणं ॥८॥

श्री महावीर स्मारक

(अनुवाद)

जिन भगवान् महावीर को नमस्कार

सिद्धार्थ राजा और त्रिशला देवी के पुत्र श्री वर्धमान जिनेश्वर ने विदेह प्रदेश के कुंडपुर नगर में चैत्र शुक्ला त्रयोदशी को जन्म लिया था ॥१॥

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यही वह स्थान है जहाँ अरहन्त भगवान् वैशालिक महावीर जी ने जन्म लिया था और यहाँ उनके कुमारकाल के तीस वर्ष व्यतीत हुए थे ।। २ ।।

इसी स्थान से वैराग्य उत्पन्न होने पर उन्होंने ज्ञातृ वनखंड में प्रव्रज्या धारण की थी और बहुत काल तक लोक में सत्य-अहिंसा धर्म का उपदेश दिया था ।। ३ ।।

प्रव्रज्या काल में भी भगवान् ने अपने द्वादश वर्षावास वैशाली और वाणिज्य ग्राम में व्यतीत किये थे ।। ४ ।।

तभी से यह स्थल अहल्य मानकर श्रद्धा से पूजा जाता है। आज महावीर जन्मोत्सव के दिन इस भूमि के स्वामी ने उसे महावीर की स्मृति हेतु बिहार राज्य को प्रदान कर दिया ।। ५ ।।

महावीर भगवान् के जन्म से २५५५ (दो हजार पाँच सौ पचपन) वर्ष व्यतीत होने पर, तथा विक्रम संवत् के २०१२ (दो हजार बारह) वर्ष व्यतीत होने पर महावीर जन्मोत्सव के समय सुराज्य-विधि-प्रवीण, प्रसाद-गुण-संयुक्त, धीर भारत-राष्ट्रपति श्री राजेन्द्र प्रसाद जी यहाँ पधारे, और उन्होंने विधिपूर्वक यहाँ इस महावीर स्मारक की स्थापना की जिससे वर्धमान भगवान् का संस्मरण यावच्चन्द्रदिवाकर चिरस्थायी हो ।। ६-८ ।।

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प्राकृत विद्या पीठ, वैशाली

(शिलालेख और ताम्रपट)

सिद्धि गदे वीरजिणे वि-अट्ठ-चदु वे सुवास संकंते ।
चित्त सिया तेरसिए चंददिणे जाद-ऊसवे संले ।। १ ।।

वेसालीए पागए - विज्ज.वीढस्स मूल - पट्टस्स ।
सिरि राजिंदपसादे रट्ठवई ठावणं किदवं ।। २ ।।

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(हिन्दी अनुवाद)

महावीर भगवान् के निर्वाण से २४८२ (दो हजार चार सौ बियासी) वर्ष व्यतीत होने पर चैत्र शुक्ल त्रयोदशी दिन सोमवार को महावीर जन्मोत्सव के सुअवसर पर वैशाली प्राकृत विद्यापीठ की शिलान्यास-विधि राष्ट्रपति श्री राजेन्द्र प्रसाद जी ने अपने कर-कमलों द्वारा सम्पन्न की।

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अष्टम वैशाली महोत्सव-(दि० ६-७ अप्रैल, १९५२ ई०)-का प्रस्ताव

बिहार के शिक्षा मंत्री माननीय बद्रीनाथ वर्मा ने वैशाली जैसे प्रसिद्ध जैन- केन्द्र में प्राकृत इंस्टीट्यूट की स्थापना पर जोर दिया। उस सभा में जो सात प्रस्ताव स्वीकृत हुए उनमें द्वितीय प्रस्ताव निम्न प्रकार था :-

"संघ, जैनों और बिहार सरकार से अनुरोध करता है कि वे जैनों के चौबीसवें तीर्थंकर भगवान महावीर की जन्म भूमि वैशाली में वैशाली प्राकृत जैन इंस्टीच्यूट की स्थापना करें, क्योंकि बिहार में संस्कृत और पाली के उच्च अध्ययन का प्रबन्ध हो गया है, पर अभी तक प्राकृत के उच्च अध्ययन का प्रबन्ध नहीं हो सका है। प्रो० नथमल टाटिया (पाली इंस्टीच्यूट) के संयोजकत्व में संघ इस सम्बन्ध में विस्तृत योजना बनाने के लिए एक उपसमिति नियुक्त करता है, जिसके सदस्य हैं,- डाक्टर नथमल टाटिया - संयोजक, श्री लल्लन जी जैन, श्री नेमिचन्द्र शास्त्री, प्रो० दलसुख मालवणिया, डाक्टर ए० एस० अल्टेकर, श्री जगदीश चन्द्र माथुर, प्रो० योगेन्द्र मिश्र। उपसमिति को अन्य सदस्य बनाने का अधिकार रहेगा।"

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Preamble of the Scheme as approved by the President of the Vaishali Sangh, Dr. S. K. Sinha, Chief Minister, Government of Bihar, on 2-7-1952.

During the last few months two famous centres of traditional learning in Bihar have been sought to be revived—one, the Nalanda Institute of Pali and Buddhist learning and the other, the Mithila Institute of Sanskrit learning. Though for both these Institutes a substantial portion of the expenditure is to be borne by the Government of Bihar, the Mithila Institute has received a princely donation from the Maharajadhiraja of Darbhanga. Thus future of advanced research and studies in pali and Sanskrit and in Buddhist and ancient Hindu thought has been more or less ensured. But this process of the rehabilitation of traditional learning through modern means will not be completed until a similar Institute for studies in Prakrit and Jainology is established. In the following pages a proposal has been made for the establishment of such an institution at one of the most important ancient sites in Bihar, Vaishali. This proposal is being sponsored by the Vaishali Sangha, a body established in 1945 for bringing into prominence and lime light the neglected ruins of ancient Vaishali and thereby stimulating a new cultural life and awareness among the people of the region. The Vaishali Sangha, of which the President is Dr. S. K. Sinha, the Chief Minister of Bihar, has been organizing an annual culturul festival near the ruins of Vaishali on the birthday of Lord Mahavira. It has also conducted archaeological excavations, has published a sumptuous and learned collection of articles on the history of Vaishali, has been sponsoring constructive activities in the villages round about Vaishali and has also encouraged the growth of a folk stage. As a part of its programme of cul-

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tural development, it now proposes to establish this Institute of Post-Graduate Studies and research in Prakrit learning.

Prakrit and Jainology—like Pali and Buddhism as well as Sanskrit and Brahmanism—is a vast subject worthy of investigation by scholars interested in oriental learning. It has, of course, drawn the attention of the orientalists and much valuable work has been done in the shape of critical editions, translations and comparative studies, by a number of eminent scholars like Dr. Jacobi, Buhler, Fischel Sehubring. Woolner, Charpentier, Winternitz, Guerinot, Hoernle, Thomas, Glasenapp, Jules Block and Alsdorf in the west, and V. R. Gandhi, J. L. Jaini, P. C. Nahar, Pandit Sukhlal ji, Bechardasji, Muni Sagaranandaji, Jinavijay ji Punya vijayaji. Professor K, C. Bhattacharya, Dr. Satkari Mookerjee, P L. Vaidya, Dr. Hiralal Jain, Dr. A. N. Upadhye, S. M. Katre and M. A. Mehendale in the east. There are also a number of texts-Publishing series and bodies like the Agamodaya Samiti Series, Surat; Devehand Lalbhai Pustakoddhara Fund Series, Bombay and Surat; Jaina Atmananda Sabha Series, Bhavnagar: Jaina-dharma-Prasaraka Sabha Series, Bhavnagar; Manekchand Digambara Jain Granthamala, Bombay; Raichand Jaina Sastramala, Bombay; Jaina Cultural Research Society, Benaras; Bharatiya Jnanapith, Banaras; Sacred Books of the Jainas, Arrah which have published a number of valuable original texts and studies on Prakrit and Jainology. Moreover, there are certain Jaina Gurukulas, Hostels and even Institutes where arrangements have been made for higher studies and research in the subject mainly of a religious character. But, in spite of all these efforts, it has not as yet been possible to popularise the subject and attract an adequate number of advanceds cholars for intensive research work and advanced studies in its manifold branches. The main reason for this paucity of intensive research work is the lack of adequate facilities required by scholars working in this field and of a centre with environments like those of an ancient seat of learning, where students may pursue their

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studies and research unhindered and keeping in contact with pandits of the ancient type and scholars with the modern outlook. What is urgently required is an institution at which both types of scholars may come together and thus depth of traditional learning and the scientific technique of modern research may be available at one and the same place. At present there are not sufficient number of good libraries, and those that exist are not easily accessible. Besides this, there is practically no provision in any of our Universities for higher research in Prakrit and Jainology. The research work done in the field of Jainology up to date is mostly the outcome of individual efforts of isolated scholars patronised by private individuals or institutions. Sometimes the research work has been handicapped by the very nature of the institutions where it had been carried and thus has fallen short of the standard.

In order to remove these handicaps, and offer adequate facilities for higher studies and original researches to scholars willing to specialise in any branch of Prakrit and Jainology, the Vaisali Sangha proposes to move the benevolent Jainas throughout the country as also the State Government to help in the establishment of an Institute at Vaishali, which is now unanimously accepted as Institute of the kind already founded at Nalanda and Darbhanga.

The reason why the Institute is proposed to be established at Vaisali is not merely that it is the recognized birth-place of Lord Mahavira. It is also because the sponsors wish to make this Institute a link between the highest scholarship on the one hand and life as lived by the common people in the remote villages of India on the other. Research Institutes and Universities have in the past been established in big towns and cities in palatial buildings, but they have been characterised by an almost complete divorce from the life of the masses and have sometimes encouraged an attitude of mind not altogether responsive to the needs of a free nation. Perhaps this was one of the reasons why the University Commission

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recommended the experiment of Rural Universities in India. The sponsors of the present proposal wish to make the Prakrit Institute a nucleus of a Rural University which after all will be quite in line with the ancient tradition of the higest degree of scholarship thriving in remote villages and in the midst of dense forests. There is a reasonable chance of a new type of scholarship emerging from the inspiration of this ancient ideal. That is why even though Vaishali is situated 23 miles in the interior, it has got the potentiality of a worthy centre of learning.

It is hardly necessary to convince the devout Jainas of the necessity for reviving this neglected but very important and sacred site for the Jaina community. While temples and dharmasalas have been and may be constructed at several sacred spots all over India, no better expression to the truly religious spirit of the Jaina community could be given than by giving a helping hand in the establishment of this Institute.

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VAISHALI (i. e., its suburb, Kundapura, which is identified with modern Basu Kund near Basarh) IS THE BIRTH-PLACE OF LORD MAHAVIRA because—

1. Mahavira is called 'Vaisaliya' and 'Vaisalika', "a native of Vaishali", in the Jain scriptures;
2. Mahavira is also known as Videha, Videhadatta, Videhajatya and Videhasukumara, because Vaisali lies in the Videha country (north of the Ganges);
5. Kshetriyakunda (where the Lord was born) has been shown as close to Vaishali in the Jain literature;
4. Vaishali and Kshatriya kunda have been shown near the Gandak river in the Jain literature. The Gandak river ever; now flows near Vaishali;

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5. There is no mention of any mountain or hill near ancient Kshatriyakunda. Vaishali too has no mountain or hill near it.
6. The people of Vaishali also believe that it was the birth-place of Lord Mahavira;
7. The Department of Archaeology, Government of India, also accepts Vaisali as the birth-place of Lord Mahavira, and
8. All the eminent Indian and European scholars unanimously affirm that Lord Mahavira was born at Kshatriyakunda near Vaishali and that Vaishali is to be identified with modern Basarh;

(Extracted from the Vaisali Sangha scheme for the Institute published in 1952)

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भगवान महावीर तीर्थंकर की जन्मभूमि वैशाली के समर्थक शास्त्रीय प्रमाण

१. दिगम्बर श्वेताम्बर दोनों सम्प्रदायों के ग्रन्थों में महावीरभगवान को विदेह-प्रदेश में स्थित कुण्डपुर में उत्पन्न हुए कहा गया है। जैसे :—

(क) सिद्धार्थ-नृपति-तनयो भारतवास्ये विदेह-कुण्डपुरे।
(पूज्यपाद-निर्वाण भक्ति)

(ख) अथ देशोऽस्ति विस्तारी जम्बूद्वीपस्य भारते।
विदेह इति विख्यातः स्वर्गखण्डसमः श्रियः।
.....नाम्ना कुण्डपुरं पुरम्॥
(जिनसेन-हरिवंशपुराण, २।४)

(ग) भरतेऽस्मिन् विदेहाख्ये विषये भवनाङ्गणे।
राज्ञः कुण्डपुरेशस्य.....
(गुणभद्र-उत्तरपुराण, ७४।२५१,२५२)

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(घ) समणे भगवं महावीरे णाए णायपुत्ते णायकुलणिव्वत्ते
विदेहे विदेहदिण्णे विदेहजच्चे विदेहसूमाले तीसं वासाइं
विदेहंसि कट्टु अगारमज्झे वसित्ता.....

(आचारांग-२,१५,१००३
कल्पसूत्र ११०)

सौभाग्य से विदेह की सीमा के सम्बन्ध में कहीं कोई विवाद नहीं। प्राचीनतमकाल से विहार के गंगा से उत्तर के भाग को विदेह और दक्षिण भाग को मगध नाम दिये गये हैं। शक्तिसंगमतंत्र नामक ग्रन्थ के अनुसार गण्डक नदी के तट से चम्पारण तक फैला हुआ प्रदेश ही विदेह भूमि है। उसे ही तीरभुक्ति (तिरहुत) भी कहते हैं :—

गण्डकीतीरमारभ्य चम्पारण्यान्तकं शिवे।
विदेहभूः समाख्याता तीरभुक्त्यभिधो मनु :॥

विदेह अर्थात् तीरभुक्ति (तिरहुत) प्रदेश की सीमाएं और भी स्पष्ट रूप से बृहद् विष्णुपुराण में इस प्रकार बतलाई गई हैं :—

गंगाहिमवतो मध्ये नदीपंचदशान्तरे।
तीरभुक्तिरिति ख्यातो देशः परम-पावनः॥
कौशिकीं तु समारभ्य गण्डकीमधिगम्य वै।
योजनानि चतुर्विंशद् व्यायामः परिकीर्त्तितः॥
गंगाप्रवाहमारभ्य यावद् हैमवतं वरम्।
विस्तारः षोडशो प्रोक्तो देशस्य कुलनन्दन॥

अतएव गंगा से दक्षिण में अर्थात् मगध प्रदेश के भीतर महावीर की जन्मभूमि मानना जैनशास्त्रों के सर्वथा विरुद्ध है।

२. महावीर को जन्मभूमि का नाम विदेहस्थित कुंडपुर, कुंडग्राम अथवा क्षत्रियकुंड पाया जाता है तथा जैनागमों में अनेक स्थानों पर महावीर को 'वेसालिय' (वैशालिक) कहा गया है। जैसे :—

अरहा णायपुत्ते भगवं वेसालिए

(सूत्रकृतांग १, २;
उत्तराध्ययन ६)

यों वेसालिय के अन्य विविध प्रकार से भी अर्थ किये गये हैं, किन्तु उक्त प्रसंगों में उसका यथार्थ अर्थ तभी स्पष्ट होता है जब हम अनेक श्रावकों आदि को भी वैशालिक कहा पाते हैं। जैसे 'पिंगलय णामं णियंठे वेसालिय--सावए'

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(भगवती २, १, ९०) 'वेसाली-सावयाणं अरहंताणं पुव्वसिज्जायरी जयंती माम समणोवासिया होत्था। (भगवती० १२, २, ४४०) दूसरी ओर आदि तीर्थंकर ऋषभदेव को 'कोसलीय' (कौशलिक) कहा गया है।—जैसे--"उसभे णं अरहा कोसलिए चोद्दसपुव्वी होत्था"। उसभे णं अरहा कोसलिए पुव्वभवे चक्कवट्टी होत्था' इत्यादि (समवायांगसुत्त)। इन उल्लेखों पर से स्पष्ट है कि जिस प्रकार कोशल जनपद (अयोध्या) के निवासी होने से ऋषभदेव कौशलिक कहे गये हैं उसी प्रकार भगवान-महावीर व अनेक उपासक वैशाली के नागरिक होने से वैशालिक कहे गये।

३. वैशाली की खुदाई से जो एक गुप्तकालीन प्राचीन मुहर मिली है उसपर 'वैशाली नामकुंडे' लिखा हुआ है। आश्चर्य नहीं जो यह उल्लेख वैशाली के समीप कुंडपुर का ही वाचक हो और उसीका विकृत रुप 'वास कुंड' हो जो वहाँ एक ग्राम का नाम है, जहाँ एक स्थानीय परम्परा से महावीर का जन्मस्थान माना जाता है और जहाँ अब बिहार सरकार द्वारा महावीर स्मारक निर्माण करा दिया गया है। उसी पुण्यस्थल के समीप इस शोध संस्थान की स्थापना का निश्चय किया गया है।

४. भगवान् महावीर ज्ञातृ (ज्ञान, णात, णाथ आदि) वंश के थे और इसीलिये बहुधा जैन व बौद्ध प्राचीन ग्रन्थों में उनका उल्लेख 'ज्ञातपुत्त' 'णाय पुत्त' रुप से किया गया है। बौद्ध साहित्य के एक अति प्राचीन ग्रन्थ 'महावस्तु' में ज्ञातियों को वैशाली के लिच्छवियों में अति श्रेष्ठ व विशाल राज्य के अच्छे प्रशासक कहा गया है जिनकी उपमा स्वयं शास्ता (बुद्ध) ने देवों से की है।

यथा :-

स्फीतानि राज्यानि प्रशास्यमाना।
सम्यग् राज्यानि करोन्ति ज्ञातयः॥
तथा इमें लेच्छवि-मध्ये सन्तो
देवेहि शास्ता उपमामकासि॥

५. ज्ञातृ क्षत्रियों की यह श्रेष्ठता इस कारण और भी प्रतिष्ठित हुई प्रतीत होती है क्योंकि इस कुल के नायक सिद्धार्थ का वैशाली के नरेश चेतक की कन्या प्रियकारणी (त्रिशला) से विवाह हुआ था और उनके ही पुत्र महावीर हुए। यथाः-

सिन्ध्वाख्य-(सिन्ध्वाढ्य-) विषयेभूद् वैशालीनगरेऽभवत्।
चेटकाख्योऽति विख्यातो विनीतः परमार्हतः॥

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तस्य देवी सुभद्राख्या तयोः पुत्रा दशाभवन् ।
सप्तर्धयो वा पुत्र्यश्च ज्याजसी प्रियकारणी
विदेहविषये कुण्डसंज्ञायां पुरि भूपतिः ।
तस्य पुण्यानुभावेन प्रियासीत्प्रियकारिणी ॥
(आदि पुराण ७५।३-८)

६. सातवें श्रुतांग उपासकाध्ययन के अनुसार ज्ञातृ-कुल की स्थिति इस प्रकार थी :—

'तएणं आणंदे समणोवासए जेट्ठपुत्तं मित्तनाइं आपुच्छइ इत्ता सयाओ गिहाओ पडिणिक्खमइ २त्ता वाणियगामं नयरं मज्झंमज्झेणं निग्गच्छइ २त्ता जेणेव कोल्लाए संनिवेशे जेणेव नायकुले जेणेव पोसहसाला तेणेव उवागच्छइ ।'

अर्थात् वानिय ग्राम का निवासी श्रमणोपासक आनन्द अपने ज्येष्ठपुत्र तथा मित्र बन्धुओं से विदा लेकर अपने घर से निकला और वानिय ग्राम नगर के बीच से होकर जहाँ कोल्लाग संनिवेश था, ज्ञातृकुल था व प्रोषधशाला थी, वहाँ आया ।

इस उल्लेख से यह स्पष्ट है कि वानियग्राम कोल्लाग संनिवेश और ज्ञातृकुल एक दूसरे के बहुत समीप थे । कितने समीप थे यह भी उसी प्रकरण के एक अन्य उल्लेख से स्पष्ट हो जाता है :—

एक बार जब वहाँ के दूतिपलाश चैत्य में श्रमण भगवान् महावीर का समवशरण था तब उनके प्रधान गणधर गोतम उनकी अनुज्ञा लेकर वानियग्राम में भिक्षा के निमित्त आये । भिक्षा-चर्या समाप्त कर वाणियग्राम से निकलते हुए उन्हें कोल्लाग संनिवेश के लोगों का कोलाहल सुनाई पड़ा कि वहाँ की प्रोषधशाला में श्रमणोपासक आनन्द ने मरणान्तिक सल्लेखना ग्रहण कर ली है ।

तएणं भगवं गोयमे वाणियग्रामे नयरे जहा पण्णत्तीए तहा जाव भिक्खायरियाए अडमाणे अहापज्जत्तं भत्तपाणं सम्मं पडिग्गाहेइ, २त्ता वाणियगामाओ पडिणिग्गच्छइ त्ता कोल्लायस्स संनिवेसस्स अदूरसामन्तेणं वीई-वइमाणे बहुजणसद्दं निसामेई । बहुजणे अन्नमन्नस्स एवमाइक्खइ एवं खलु, देवाणुप्पिया, समणस्स भगवओ अन्तेवासी आणंदे नामं समणोवासए पोसहसालाए अपच्छिम जाव अणवकंखमाणे विहरइ ।

जिसे उपासकाध्ययन में 'णायकुल' कहा है उसे ही संभवतः कल्पसूत्र में 'णायसंड' कहा गया है और उसीसे संबद्ध णायसंड वनोद्यान में भगवान् महावीर ने प्रव्रज्या ग्रहण की थी । इसका उल्लेख आवश्यक भाष्य १०५—११० में इस प्रकार पाया जाता है :—

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'एवं समणे भगवं महावीरे वेसालिए कुंडग्गामं मज्झं-मज्झेणं जेणेव णातसंडवणुज्जाणे जेणे। असोगवरपायवे तेणेव उवागच्छदि.....सामाइयं चरित्तं पडिवज्जदि।'

तात्पर्य यह कि कोल्लाग संनिवेश और वहाँ का ज्ञातृकुल, ज्ञातृसंडवन व प्रोषधशाला वाणियग्राम के इतने समीप थे कि एक स्थान से दूसरे स्थान का जन कोलाहल सुनाई पड़ता था। यह स्थिति वैशाली (वर्त्तमान वसाढ़) के समीपस्थ वनियाग्राम, कोल्हुआ व वासकुंड की अब भी पाई जाती है। यह भी ध्यान देने योग्य है कि भगवान् ने प्रव्रज्या के पश्चात् प्रथम शाहार ग्रहण कोल्लाग सन्निवेश में ही किया था। आवश्यक चूर्णि (४-३७।४९४) के अनुसार प्रव्रज्या के नौवें दशवें वर्ष जब भगवान् महावीर वैशाली से वाणियग्राम को गये थे तब उन्हें गंडकी नदी मिली थी। यथा :—

'भगवंपि वेसालि नगरिं संपत्तो। तत्थ संखो णाम गणराया सिद्धत्थरन्नो मित्तो। सो तं पूजेति। पच्छा वाणियग्रामं पधावितो! तत्थंतरा गंडइ ता नदी। तं सामी णावाए उत्तिन्नो।'

यद्यपि वर्तमान में गंडकी नदी वसाढ़ और वणिया ग्रामों के बीच से नहीं बहती तथापि वह वहाँ से हटकर कुछ दुर से अब भी बहती है व प्राचीन काल में वह निर्दिष्ट स्थान से बहती थी, इसके स्पष्ट प्रमाण वहाँ की भूमि में अब भी पाये जाते हैं। इसी गंडकी नदी के प्रवाह का उल्लेख हमें आवश्यक भाष्य और उसके विवरण में मिलता है जहाँ कहा गया है कि प्रव्रज्या के पश्चात् ज्ञातृकों से विदा लेकर भगवान् कमरि ग्राम को गये। वहाँ जाने के लिये एक जलमार्ग था और दूसरा उसकी पाली पर से स्थल मार्ग। भगवान् स्थल मार्ग से गये। यथा :—

"बहिः कुण्डपुरात् ज्ञातखण्डे उद्याने आपृच्छय ज्ञातकान्सर्वान्यथा-सन्निहितान् तस्मान्निर्गतः कर्मारग्रामगमनाय। तत्र च पथद्वयम्-एको जलेनापरः पाल्या। तत्र च भगवान् पाल्या गतवान्। गच्छंश्च दिवसे मुहूर्त--शेषे कर्मार ग्राममनुप्राप्तः। तत्र च प्रतिमायां स्थितः (मलयगिरि-विवरणम्)

अनुमान किया जाता है कमरिग्राम ही आधुनिक कम्मन छपरा है।

इस प्रकार जैन शास्त्रीय उल्लेखों का जैसा ऐतिहासिक व भौगोलिक दृष्टि से समाधान वैशाली (वर्त्तमान वसाढ़, जिला मुजफ्फरपुर) व उसके आसपास भगवान् महावीर की जन्मभूमि, प्रव्रज्या स्थान व विहार-स्थल मानने से होता है वैसा अन्यत्र कहीं नहीं होता।

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Speech of Shri R. R. Diwakar, Governor of Bihar, (now President, Gandhi Memorial Fund) on the occasion of the Foundation laying ceremony of the Prakrit Jain Institute. on 23-4-1956, Mahavira Jayanti Day.

In course of his presidential remarks Mr. R. R. Diwaker said:

Vaishali is a name to conjure with. This place is hardly about twenty-three miles from Muzaffarpur. It is associated with the federal republic of the Vijjis as early as the sixth century B. C. It was the federal capital as well as the capital of the Lichchavi clan which was the most powerful of the eight republics which formed the Vijji federation. The republics were run in a very systematic and efficient manner. In organising his religious order Buddha is said to have copied a number of features of the republic set up of the Vijjis.

But the political significance of Vaishali and its formidable citizens, the Lichhavis, pales before the religious and cultural importance of the place. It was a place loved of Buddha and he spent long spells of time preaching there. He designated the people of that place as 'Timsa gods'. He admired their unity and democratic as well as religious spirit. It was here that Ambrapali the wealthiest and most beautibul courtesan of the place, surrendered herself and everything belonging to her to Buddha proving thereby that inner peace and integrated personality are a far greater prize than charm of person and love of luxury. Nearby is the stupa of Yolhua dedicated to Ananda, Buddha's greatest disciple close to a huge 42 feet Asok pillar crowned by a lion couchant.

'What is most important today however, April 23, 1956, is that Basukund in this area is the birth place of Vardhamana Mahavir. the last of the Jaina Teerthankaras and today

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is his birthday. He is worshipped as the founder of present Jainism. He spent here thirty years of his normal life and twelve years, of life after he took Sannyas. It is for more than two milleniums that a small area in village Basukund lies dedicated to Mahavira as his birth place. None use it nor is it cultivated. It remains inviolate and virgin. It is there on that plot that the foundation of a memorial to Mahavir is laid today by our beloved President.

It, was on account of this significant background political, cultural and religious, that Vaishali attracted the attention of scholars as well as laymen and it soon turned into a place of archaeological and cultural importance. It became a place of pilgrimage when the Vaishali Sangh, under the inspiring guidance of Dr. S. K. Sinha, began to celebrate the Vaishali Mahotsav since a few years.

It is in this multi-sanctified area today that the foundation is laid by our Union President of an Institute for post-graduate studies and research in Prakrit, Jainology and Ahimsa.

It should be specially noted that Ahimsa is quite a new and very fruitful subject for research. Here Ahimsa does not mean merely the theological or the religious aspect of it but means the doctrine of Ahimsa including the doctrine of love which in fact is the foundation of all life and relationship between sentient beings. The research in this subject has become much more important in view of our great traditions and the emphasis laid on it by Hinduism, Jainism, and Buddhism. In fact in Jainism Ahimsa is the keynote and cornerstone. In recent years, Mahatma Gandhi in his own life and in all that he said and did, exhibited the potency and usefulness of Ahimsa in all field of human activity including relations between nation and nation. Pancha-Shila is a corollary of Ahimsa in the international field. Dr. Albert Schweitzer in his profound writings has pointed out that Reverence for Life (this is but the 20 th century western edition of Ahimsa) must be the foundation of new values, if civilization is to be saved. All

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these point to the fact as to how profound and basic is the doctrine of Ahimsa, how comprehensive is its sweep, and how wide are its implications for man as a social being.

The founding of this Institute is one more proof of the fact that the Bihar Government is fully alive to its obligations in the field of thought and culture, since Bihar has the richest legacy from the past in the whole of India. This is the land of Yajnyavalkya and Maitreyi of the Upanishads of Janaka of Mithila of Buddha, of Mahavira, of Chandragupta, of Chanakya of Asok and others too many to mention here. It is this living consciousness that inspired this State to organize the Mithila Institute for Sanskrit research in Darbhanga and Nalanda Institute for research in Pali and Buddhism. Those institutes are already runni. ng and the Navnalanda Vihar was opened very recently in March at Nalanda by Dr. Radhakrishnan. An institute for research in Persian and Arabic with the noted Khudabux library as a nucleus has already been set up.

Now comes this Institute at Vaishali for Prakrit Jainology and Ahimsa. I must here pay a very well-deserved tribute to our Jain friends, notably to Mr. Shanti Prasad Jain who is the industrial magnate of Bihar. The credit for quickening the process of bringing into existence this institute goes to him and his colleagues because he came forward with a handsome donati on of rupees five lacs for the building etc-, of this institute and a share tn the recurring expenditure for a period of five years.

The Government as in the case of other simillar institutes mentioned above, has already decided to run this institute on the same lines as others and bear all the expenses. It is expected that rich and liberal as is the Jain Community it would see to it that this institute would not only attract all Indian scholars but scholars from all over world, especially because it is taking up research in Ahimsa, a subject of world-wide importance.

'Nalanda has already attracted scholars from many of the Buddhist countries. But I have no doubt that Vaishali would be as attrractive a centre for research scholars as the best in India and elsewhere.'

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शोध संस्थान की शिलान्यास-विधि सम्बन्धी
शिक्षा मन्त्री आचार्य बदरीनाथ वर्मा का भाषण

मान्यवर राष्ट्रपति महोदय,

आज बिहार राज्य और यहां की जनता की ओर से आप का स्वागत करता हूँ। राष्ट्र के सांस्कृतिक विकास की ओर आप का कितना ध्यान है यह तो इसीसे स्पष्ट है कि इस ग्रीष्मकाल और इस सुदूर ग्राम की अनेक असुविधाओं का विचार न करके भी आप ने आज यहां श्री महावीर स्मारक और प्राकृत विद्यापीठ की स्थापना के लिये पधारने का कष्ट स्वीकार किया है।

स्वतन्त्र भारत के युगारम्भ में ही बिहार राज्य ने उच्चतम अध्यापन और अनुसन्धान कार्य के लिये जिन तीन विद्यापीठों की योजना तैयार की थी उनमें से वैदिक और संस्कृत विद्यापीठ की स्थापना दरभंगा में तथा पाली और बौद्ध धर्म विषयक अध्ययन के लिये नालन्दा विद्यापीठ की स्थापना नालन्दा में आज से कोई साढ़े चार वर्ष पूर्व आप के ही पुण्यशाली हाथों द्वारा की थी। हमें यह सूचित करते हर्ष होता है कि वे दोनों विद्यापीठ अपनी अपनी योजना के अनुसार नियत उद्देश्यों की पूर्ति में लगे हुए हैं और उत्तरोत्तर उन्नति करते जा रहे हैं।

उसी योजना की तीसरी संस्था वैशाली प्राकृत विद्यापीठ की शिलान्यास-विधि आज यहां आप के वरदानी कर-कमलों द्वारा सम्पन्न होने जा रही है। हमें यह घोषित करते हुए हर्ष होता है कि बिहार राज्य के प्रमुख उद्योगपति और जैन समाज के गण्य-मान्य अग्रणी श्री शान्ति प्रसाद जी ने अपने उदार दान के द्वारा इस विद्यापीठ की स्थापना में बिहार सरकार का हाथ बटाया है और उसके आरंभिक आर्थिक बोझ को हलका कर दिया है। उन्होंने इस विद्यापीठ के हेतु पांच लाख का दान, भवन आदि के लिये तथा प्रति वर्ष पच्चीस हजार के हिसाब से पांच वर्ष तक चालू खर्च के लिये, इस प्रकार कुल सवा छः लाख रुपयों का दान स्वीकार किया है। सरकार ने उनके स्थायी दान से चार लाख तो विद्यापीठ के कार्यालय, पुस्तकालय, छात्रालय तथा निवास भवन आदि बनाने में तथा एक लाख रुपया पुस्तकालय के लिये आवश्यक ग्रंथों, शोध पत्रिकाओं आदि के संग्रह के लिये नियत कर दिया है। यह और भी प्रसन्नता की बात है कि श्री शान्ति प्रसाद जी ने विद्यापीठ के लिये उक्त आवश्यक भवन अपने निजी साधनों द्वारा शीघ्र बनवा देने का वचन दिया है, जिससे आशा की

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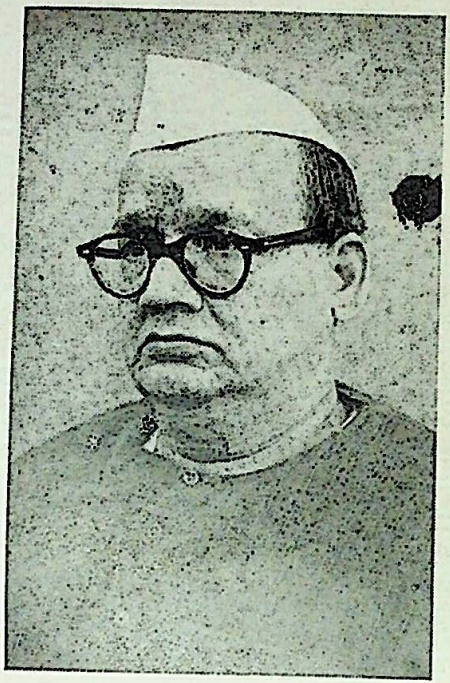

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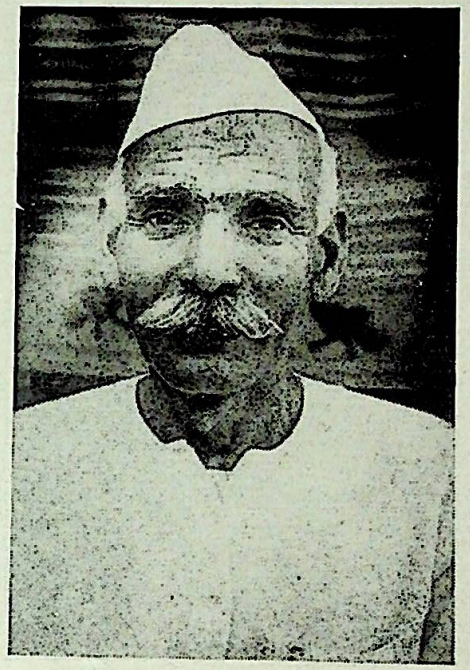

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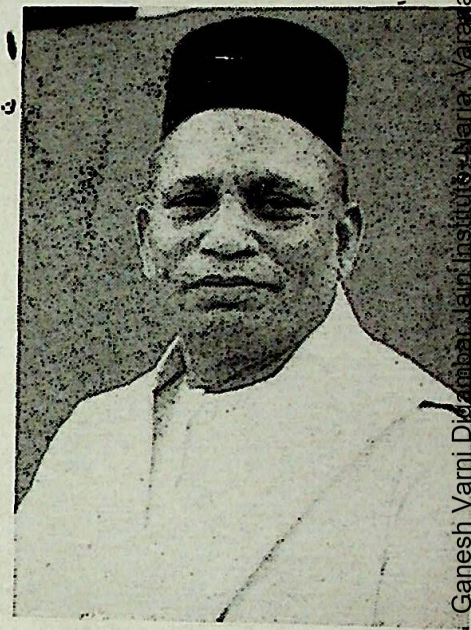

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इन सभी दृष्टियों से प्राकृत साहित्य की खोज तथा अवलोकन और प्राकृत ग्रंथों के प्रकाशन का महत्व असाधारण है। भारतीय विद्वानों के अतिरिक्त डा० शूब्रिग आदि विदेशी विद्वानों का भी यही मत है। उनका कहना है कि प्राकृत साहित्य का पूर्ण ज्ञान प्राप्त किए बिना भारत के साहित्य का हमारा ज्ञान सदा अधूरा रहेगा। यदि स्वाधीन होने के बाद भी हम प्राकृत के लुप्त और विस्मृत-प्राय ग्रन्थों को पूरी खोज कर, उन्हें साधारण ज्ञान की सरिता में न मिला सकें, तो यह आश्चर्य ही नहीं लज्जा की बात होगी।

भगवान महावीर के सन्देश और उनके लौकिक जीवन के सम्बन्ध में अधिक से अधिक जानकारी प्राप्त करने का भी हमारे लिए ही नहीं समस्त संसार के लिए विशेष महत्व है। 'अहिंसा परमो धर्मः' का सन्देश उनकी अनुभूति और तपश्चर्या का परिणाम था। महावीर के जीवन से मालूम होता है कि कठोर तपस्या करने के बाद भी वे शुष्क तापसी अथवा प्राणियों के हित-अहित से उदासीन नहीं हो गये थे। दूसरों के प्रति उनकी आत्मा स्नेहार्द्र और सहृदय रही। इसी सहानुभूतिपूर्ण स्वभाव के कारण जीवों के सुख-दुख के बारे में उन्होंने गहराई से सोचा है और इस विषय में सोचते हुए ही वे वनस्पति के जीवों तक पहुंचे हैं। उनकी सूक्ष्म दृष्टि और बहुमूल्य अनुभव, जिसके आधार पर वे अहिंसा के आदर्श पर पहुंचे, असाधारण जिज्ञासा का ही विषय न रह कर वैज्ञानिक अध्ययन तथा अनुसंधान का विषय होना चाहिये।

भगवान महावीर के जीवन से एक और तत्व हमें ग्रहण करना चाहिये' वह है उनकी समन्वय-दृष्टि। अपने विचारों को उदार रख दूसरों को सहानुभूति-पूर्वक उनकी दृष्टि से समझने की क्षमता और अपने में मिलाने की शक्ति ही समन्वय दृष्टि है। महावीर की समन्वयात्मक दृष्टि भारतीय धर्म तथा दर्शनशास्त्र के लिये बहुत बड़ी देन है। इस सिद्धान्त की गहराई और इसके उच्च व्यावहारिक पहलू को हम महावीर के जीवन मे ही समझ सकते है।

इन सभी कारणो से मैं समझता हूँ वैशाली मे प्राकृत अनुसंधानशाला की स्थापना बहुत ही सामयिक है। मैं आशा करता हूँ कि यहाँ जो अध्ययन होगा और जो खोज की जाएगी, उसके परिणाम-स्वरुप जहाँ भारतीय इतिहास की टूटी हुई श्रृंखलाओं के जुड़ने की आशा है, वहाँ हम एक अत्यन्त प्रतापी और यशस्वी विभूति की जीवन-कथा तथा विचारधारा का पूर्ण ज्ञान प्राप्त कर अपने आपको कृतकृत्य कर सकेंगे। मुझे विश्वास है कि यह प्राकृत अनुसंधानशाला, जिसके शिलान्यास का दायित्व आपने मुझे सौंपने की कृपा की है शीघ्र ही बनकर तैयार हो जायगी। मुझे इसमें संदेह नहीं कि कालान्तर में इस शाला के

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कारण वैशाली फिर विद्या और संस्कृति का केन्द्र बन जायगा। बिहार सरकार और दूसरे जिन लोगों ने इस अनुसन्धानशाला कि स्थापना में आर्थिक तथा अन्य प्रकार की सहायता की हैं, हमारे धन्यवाद के अधिकारी हैं। आगे भी इस पुण्य कार्य में सभी का पूर्ण सहयोग रहेगा, ऐसी मेरी आशा है।

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MESSAGES OF GOOD-WILL

PATNA, April 23—A large number of messages of good-will has been received from those who had not been able to attend the foundation-stone laying ceremony of the Vaishali Institute of Post-graduate studies and Research in Jain and Prakrit Learning and Ahimsa which was performed today by the President of India.

Prominent among them are Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Dr K.N. Katju, Mr C.D. Deshmukh.

MAULANA AZAD

Maulana Azad, Education Minister of the Government of India, in his letter to the Education Minister of Bihar said :—"No better place for the Institute could be found than the birth place of Lord Mahavira. I have no doubt the Institute will serve as an useful feature. Please accept my good wishes on this occasion and for the future that of the Institute.

DR. K. N. KATJU

Dr. K. N. Katju, Minister of defence of the Government of India in the course of his letter said :—"I beg to offer my heartfelt felicitation to the Government of Bihar on their decision to honour the place in this manner. I am sure the Institute will prove itself to be a great seat of learning, and will be a source of light and leading to the nation at large."

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MR. C. D. DESHMUKH

Mr. C. D. Deshmukh, Minister, of Finance, Government of India writes :—I am glad that the Bihar Government are commemorating the forthcoming birthday of Lord Mahavira by establishing a memorial and an Institute for Post Graduate study in jain and Prakrit Learning and Ahimsa at Vaishali.

It is entirely in the fitness of things that the foundation stone is to be laid by our Rashtrapati whose outstanding devotion to Ahimsa is well known. This by itself augurs well for the Institute.

Ahimsa, self-denial, a chastened life, these are the leaving principles of Lord Mahavira's teachings. They are, in one sense, the fruits, and, in another sense the means of the conquest of self which Jainism connotes.

Just a few decades ago it was still considered a fashion to deride such a philosophy, as escapist. They were held to be the work of men who could not, or would not, face the rigours of life and who sought peace in a total withdrawal from the rude and competitive businesses of life.

It is a sign of the times, and indeed a hopeful sign, that on our attaining nationhood, there has been a revival of interest in the wisdom of our Great. It cannot be too much to hope that with the revival of this interest will also come the knowledge of and devotion to the lessons that our Great Teachers have sought to place before us.

Man, we are told, is made of diverse and warring elements. This is only too true, and we, this generation, on whom has fallen the duty of remoulding national character would do well to remember it. Even the most strong-hearted of us all has to approach the task with trepidation and with humility. We have to draw heavily on our past if we are to well mould the future.

The teachings of Lord Mahavira in particular are bound to influence us, even as they did our forefathers in times gone by, to and in the path of rectitude. The

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temptations to violence are many and the occasions diverse. It is necessary for us to realise that our future lies in our keeping the peace both in our society and in our hearts. Lord Mahavira has taught us that the only way to ensure this is by self-denial. In the increasing complexity of life, self-denial is not easy to define; but basically, I think it denotes a frame of mind that will not accept as proper the exploitation, for self-benefit, of the weaknesses of others. This is the very minimum implication of the concept that we cannot afford to forget in our own day or to high light for posterity"

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DISTINGUISHED VISITOR'S REMARKS

Copy of letter dated 3. 5. 1957 from Shri R. R. Diwakar Governor of Bihar addressed to the Director, Prakrit Jain Insititute Muzaffarpur., (Bihar).

This was the first time that I paid a visit to the Vaishali Institute of post-rGaduate Studies and Research in Prakrit, Jainology and Ahimsa on the 13 th April, 1957

I was glad to find that the Institute is carrying on research and teaching work under the able guidance of Dr. H. L. Jain, the Director of the Institute. I am sure that research in Prakrit, Jainology and Ahimsa will throw new light on our history and culture.

I, however, found that certain appointments of teachers for the Institute are pending for some time past. The appointments should be made as early as possible so that the work in the Institute does not suffer.

The present hired buildings are too cramped. The construction of a new building for the Institute should be taken up immediately. The present building has no room

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for the expansion of the library and residence of scholars, and the accommodation would prove to be tight, if fresh batches of students are admitted. This matter therefore needs urgent attention.

I wish the Institute all success.

Sd/-R.R. Diwakar,
Governor of Bihar.

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Copy of letter dated 4. 1. 1958 from Shri Zakir Husain, Governor of Bihar addressed to the Director, Prakrit Jain Institutu, Muzaffarpur, (Bihar).

I was very happy, indeed, to visit the Vaishali Institute of Post-Graduate Studies and Research in Jain and Prakrit Learning on the 24 th of November, 1957 and to meet its eminent Director; Dr. H. L, Jain and his colleagues and scholars. In unpretentious surroundings this hand of devoted scholars is doing work of significant value and I hope and trust that all that is necessary to help them in their work shall be forthcoming. The Director has admirable schemes of the collection of old manuscripts of works in Prakrit and allied languages, as well as of publications, specially the publication of a critical edition of Ardha Magadhi Prakrit Jain Canonical literature. I do hope that the necessary staff and the financial resources will be made available by the State and the Central Government as well as by private philanthropy.

I wish the Institute all success.

Sd/-Zakir Husain,
Governor of Bihar.

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(i) Extract from the letter of Shri R. R. Diwakar former Governor of Bihar dated 6. 10. 59. addressed to the Director of the Institute.

"I have yours of the 19th of Sept, alonq with enclosures. The work that is being done is very interesting."

(ii) Extract from the letter of Shri Dip Narayan Singh, Minister for Irrigation. & Power, Govt. of Bihar, Patna dated 8. 10. 1959 addressed to the Director of the Institute.

I find from the progress report forwarded with your letter under reference that the work which has been done so far has been appreciable, though your Institute is working under various difficulties and limitations."

(iii) Extract from the letter of Sri J. C. Mathur, I. C. S., Director General-All India Radio (Formerly Education Secretary, Govt. of Bihar).

"I am glad to have your letter of the 19th September and to go through the progress Report of the Vaishali Institute.

Considering the limitations within which you have had to work the progress so far made has been satisfactory It is unfortunate that the construction of the building has been held up."

(iv) Extract from the address of Dr. B. J. Sandesara, Director Oriental Institute, Baroda University' President. Prakrit & Jainism Section, 20th All India Oriental Conference, Bhubneshwar, Oct, 1059.

There are other indications also of the recognition of the increasing importance of Prakrit Studies. The Government of the State of Bihar, roughly covering the land of

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ancient Magadha, where Buddha and Mahavira preached have started their institutins of higher learning and research in Jainology.

The Institute for Research in Prakrit Jainology and Ahimsa, though working at Muzaffarpur at present, will be housed in due course at the village Basukunda which has been indentified as Vaishali the birth place of Mahavira. This body. generally known as the Vaishali Institute, was established in 1955 and a scholar of great reputation and ability Dr. Hiralal Jain, has been appointed its Director. He has started his work in right earnest, and we can legitimately hope that in course of time the Vaishali Institute will make its due contribution to the Study and interpretation of Jaina Philosophy, Prakrit language and literature and the philosophy and technique of Ahimsa. (p. 9-10).

It is fitting that the Government of Bihar have established a centre of Jaina Study at the birth place of Mahavira. Jainism had its origin in Bihar but eventually its centre of gravity shifted to Western India.....It is but historically appropriate and important that projects for the study and interpretation of the Canon should be undertaken in that part of the country, so rich in original material (p. 11. 12).

The whole of the Satkhandagama with Hindi translation is complete in 28 Volumes. The first volume of the Commentary Dhavala was published in 1939. Its sixteenth Volume along with the seventh Volume of the Mahabandha has been published now. The editors and publishers. especially D. Hiralal Jain, deserve congratulations on their achievement. It is wonderful that such voluminous literature, critically edited and carefully translated could be published within two decades, though the chief Editor has to attend to many other pressing duties (P. 21-22),

D. Hiralal Jain has prepared critical edition of Subamsana-cariu of Nayanandin, Mayana parajaya-curiu of Hari-

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deva and Sugandha-dasamikatha (Apabhramsa, Sanskrit, Old Hindi, Old Gujrati and Old Marathi) and we anxiously await their publication (p. 30.)

Extract from the Address of Prof. D. Malveaniya, President, Prakrit & Jainism Section, 19th All India Oriental conference, Delhi, December, 1957.

परम संतोष की बात है कि बिहार सरकार ने संस्कृत व पाली के अतिरिक्त प्राकृत विद्यापीठ की भी स्थापना ई० १९५६ में की है और उसका संचालन डा० हीरालाल जैन जैसे प्रतिष्ठित विद्वान को सौंपा है। आशा की जाती है कि यह विद्यापीठ जैन साहित्य के बहुमुखी अध्ययन का एक महत्त्वपूर्ण केन्द्र बन जायगा।

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